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Gulf deal

questions

pressed

by Shore

Political Editor

Prime Minister for a third time

vesterday to make a full and early statement on the involve-ment of herself and her son

Mark in the winning of a £300m

contract in the Gulf for the British-based construction company Cementation Inter-

In a long and reasoned letter.

Mr Shore, Labour's chief spokesman on trade and industry and on House of Commons matters, put to the Prime

Minister a number of questions

which he said could no longer

be ducked now that Mr Mark Thatcher had publicly acknowl-edged his connexion with the

Mr Shore suggested that Mrs Margaret Thatcher would not tolerate a situation in which a close relative of one of her

ministerial colleagues was en-gaged by a firm with whom the minister "was in a negotiating relationship" because that rela-

tive was thought to have

The Opposition wish to establish whether the Prime

Minister, her son and Cementation stood in such a relation-

They want answers about the

circumstances in which the contract for the building of a

new university in Oman was

awarded after a visit there by

Mrs Thatcher in 1981, Mr Mark Thatcher flew to Oman to join

Mr Shore's questions, several of which the Prime Minister's

office declined to answer when

they were put by The Observer newspaper last month, were:

What was the purpose of Mark Thatcher's visit? Why was

his mother during her visit.

influence with the minister,

Mr Peter Shore urged the

#### THEXTIMES Tomorrow

Russia's new leader David Watt believes that the massive newspaper coverage of the Soviet succession only covers up how little we really know about Konstantin Chernenko

(below)



Super-computer age Spectrum explains the Fifth Generation of computers

Public spending The Public Spending White Paper in detail

Cross country twins Twins are in pursuit of the national cross country championship on Saturday, and Pat Butcher tells why he believes one of them

Bedford revisited Friday Page talks to Sybille Bedford whose nostalgic novels are making a reappearance

will win

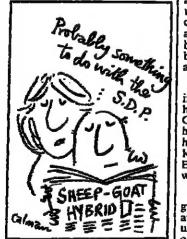
Special Report Royal Princess. A Special Report on P&O's £100m luxury cruise ship being built in Finland.

#### Tories will act against extremists

Senior Conservative Party figures have accepted in principle the main recommendations put forward by the Young Conservatives for preventing infiltration by the extreme right. A party com-mittee agreed to tighten procedures, but anger was expressed about the BBC Fanorama programme on the regard as vindication of their ing.

#### **Ethel Merman** dies aged 75

Ethel Merman, the Broadway singer and actress whose stage career began in 1930 was found dead at her home in New York yesterday. She was 75.



#### Sheep-goat

Hybrid sheep-goats have been produced in a genetic manipulation experiment Back page

Pound improves The dollar's slide continued

with key European currencies making significant gains. Sterling was up 1.90 cents at \$1.4425 Page 19

#### Iranian raid

Iranian jets attacked an Iraqi town only 22 miles from Baghdad, killing three people Page 5

Leader page, 13 Letters: On housing, from Lord Hyllon and others; British Telecom, from Sir George Leading articles: Divorce GCHQ, Chellenham; Sellafield.

Features, pages 10,12 Phone tapping and the law: halting the US drift to isolationism: Ronald Butt on the university admissions tangle. Spectrum: a profile of Philip Larkin.

Books, page 11 Robert Nye reviews the latest Roetry: Woodrow Wyatt on Sidney Bernstein; Andrew Gimson on fiction; Fiona MacCarthy reviews Gorillas in inc Mist by Dian Fossey.

The art of Korea A three-page special report to mark the opening of Treasures from Korea, an exhibition at the British Museum.

Obituary, page 14 Mr George Elvin. Mr Walter

# Thatcher ignores MPs' call to lift GCHQ ban

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

signalled its determination to go shead and ban trade unions at the Cheltenham communications headquarters despite a imminent between Mrs Margacall by Conservative and ret Thatcher and the unions, it Labour MPs to drop its plans if was accepted that the Governal legally binding, no-disruption ment's hand would have been a legally binding, no-disruption agreement can be achieved

Less than two hours after the all-party select committee on employment recommended the moderately worded but detailed Government to suspend its action pending talks with the unions on a voluntary deal, it reaffirmed that the offer stood to staff at GCHQ. New terms and £1,000 were offered as compensation for the loss of

their union rights.

Although the Government said that it would consider the report and respond to it in due course, a Downing Street statement said: "Since it might affect the decisions of those at GCHQ, the Government must make clear now that the offer made to GCHQ staff and already accepted by a substantial number of them stands."

The view at Westminster remained last night that the formula recommended by the select committee, or something like it, might eventually be agreed between the Government and the unions. But ment can be reached the although the report, drawn up Government should withdraw by six Conservative and five the proposal to prohibit em-Labour MPs, was aimed at ployees at GCHQ from belong-

The Government last night caused no surprise that the ignalled its determination to go Government did not seize it at decision should be suspended, together with the requirement together with the requirement. With a second meeting

greatly weakened by any indication that it was prepared to

Committee report

Leading article

criticism of the Government's handling of the affair, proposed: should thoroughly examine the no-disruption arrangements proposed by the Civil Service unions to ensure that they meet national security needs. That the unions offer "what-

ever legally binding assurances" the Government requires. That any arrangements agreed should apply only to union activity at Chehenham and not be a precedent for action

 That the unions immediately accept Mrs Thatcher's invitation for talks.

ployees at GCHQ from belonghelping ministers make as ing to a trade union." and painless a retreat as possible it • That in the meantime all course".

to sign forms relating to new conditions of employment and the £1,000 offer.

The committee voiced concern over the timing of the Government's decision, saying that the explanation givn by the Government for not taking action before now did not justify the delay.

It criticized the lack of

consultation of staff or unions before the decision, and the way that information was released According to the unions, "the Government's actions appear to

have soured relations with the staff affected and to have lowered morale, as well as resulting in darnaging public controversy and widespread and unwelcome publicity for

The committe said: "The handling of the issue could not be described as a model of its

Mr Ronald Leighton, Labour MP for Newham North East, the committee chairman, said that it had tried to point the way to a solution in which the Government's four objectives no disclosure, no disruption, no intrusion by union officers from outside GCHQ and no conflict of loyalties - could be achieved without the need for it to pursue its "ill-advised, misconceived

# Unions continue to seek deal

ment policy committee, were unable to persuade Mr King to

drop a clause which introduces

compulsory union ballots every

10 years on whether political funds should be continued.

Members will be told regu-larly of their rights to hait levy payments and all will be told

again after any ballot on political funds. New members will have to be informed of how

to withdraw from payments, and forms enabling them to do

so will have to be prominently

Mr King said that the agreed statement could lead to "some

fall" in the numbers of trade

unionists paying the levy. He said he found that the 98.4 per cent of members of the Trans-

Union recorded as paying the

levy was "a little on the high side to say the least".

Mr King after the employment policy committee had declined

to give a clear recommendation

that the agreement should be accepted. Final approval will have to be given by the general

council next week, but that will

be a formality.

Mr Keys and Mr Murray saw

displayed.

By David Felton, Labour Correspondent

Union leaders yesterday position, were brought into the continued informal contacts meeting. with government officials in the search for a compromize that will allow the Government to retreat from its plan to outlaw unions at Government Communication Headquarters at Cheltenham.

General secretaries of the Civil Service unions spent more than three hours in the Cabinet Office discussing outlines of a deal with Sir Robert Armstrong, Secretary to the Cabinet. The findings of the Commons select ment's demand that the com-committee, which the unions mitment must be legally bind-

union members pay the politi-cal levy to the Labour Party, although legal restrictions could

be introduced if ministers

believe voluntary arrangements

The agreement is the first important result of the less

hostile climate between Government and TUC which

has allowed union leaders to hold private talks with Mr Tom

King, Secretary of State for Employment, over the past few

A formal TUC statement of guidance will be issued this

afternoon. It will advise how unions should inform members

on how to contract out of the

The agreement means that

the Government will not

introduce an amendment to the

Trade Union Bill which would

have switched the onus on to

members to contract in. Union

Publishing's most lucrative monopoly, the twin grip held by

the Radio Times and TV Times

over television schedules, is to be examined by the Office of

Fair Trading.
Sir Gordon Borrie, the
Director General of Fair

Trading. announced yesterday

that he intended to carry out

two investigations under Section Three of the Competition

Act to establish whether the

BBC and Independent Tele-

vision Publications (TTP, a

consortium of the independent television companies which publishes the TV Times), were

are not working.

avert legislation on the way rupted Labour.

Union leaders expect Sir meeting.
Union leaders remain opti-Robert to brief Mrs Margaret Thatcher on the progress of the mistic that the Government will discussions, which were said last night to be "delicately balanced". While no further be prepared to withdraw its union ban if clauses removing meetings have been arranged the right of take part in industrial disruption are written into the terms of employment they hope to see the Prime

Minister early next week. Such an arrangement would Mr Peter Jones, senetary of the Council of Civil Service Unions, last night welcomed the "positive lead" given by the select committee. We hope the Government will now accept the need for an agreement and allow the Government to seek legal redress against any mem-ber of staff who broke the no-disruption clause and would therefore meet the Govern-ment's demand that the comthe need for an agreement and

#### **TUC** reaches deal farmers' on political levy By Our Labour Correspondent

The TUC last night struck a leaders believed that such deal with the Government to legislation would have bank-

her staff to examine the privileges enjoyed by farmers. The study, which has already started, is a spin-off from a Mr Len Murray, TUC general secretary, and Mr William Keys, chairman of the employwider investigation of monopoly powers and other advantages mjoyed by the profesions.

Staff at Downing Street are trying to assess whether Bri-The TUC statement will lay down a framework for unions to make information available to members on how to stop paying ning controls. the political levy, although it was pointed out many unions met most of the criteria already.

> They spoke after delegates had adopted unanimously a protest about the biased programmes and press reports that the media has produced. and the effect they have on the farming image". Mr John Hughes, chairman of the mion's Somerset branch, said the image was less important than the orchestrated campaign

> against farming exemplified by an article in *The Times* yesterday by Mr David Hart. Mr Hughes said that Mr Hart was one of the Prime Minister's closest political aides. Mr Hart said later: "I do not really want to say anything about it. I am not one of her

# **Inquiry** into privileges

The Prime Minister has told

tain receives good value from the farming industry in the light of its subsidies from EEC and British funds and its freedom from rates and plan-

ning controls.

The study will alarm leaders of the agricultural lobby who gathered in London yesterday for the second day of the annual meeting of the National Farmers' Union. Officials suggested that the Prime Minister's staff were trying to create a climate of public hostility to farming through prominent critical articles in national newspapers. national newspapers.

talks. Mr Trudeau said Mr Cher-



# Royal visit to Jaguar

The Prince of Wales had his leg pulled about the "Royal production line" when he risited the Jaguar car factory in Coventry yesterday with the Princess of Wales.

Prince Charles, soon to be a father for the second time, laughed and blushed when he came face-to-face with a 37-year-old beach worker Mr Terry McCauley. The Royal visitor was taking

a serious approach to the two-bour factory visit and congratulating workers on the

Gemayel's army melts away

From Robert Fisk, Doha, Lebanon

force in Sinai, was shot dead in

an ambush by gunmen in Rome last night, an Italian Govern-ment official said.

and that he himself was

Of the Lebanese Army's total

fighting strength of 21,000 men, more than half have now defected to the militias in Beirut

or refused to fight for the

yesterday provided damning proof of Mr Gemayel's collaps-

The road south of Beirut

preparing to resign.

Government.

He told Mr McCanley: "You

The Princess, wearing pro-tective glasses (left) received repeated congratulations on her pregnancy as she talked to some of the factory's 4,000

vorkers. The Prince and Princess in their two-hour visit saw the limousine shop and the main track where the highly-successful XJ Jaguars are produced.

are doing very good work here.
Production is going well".

Mr McCauley replied:
"Your production line is going

the Shia Amal militia and had

thrown away their rifles, still

walking the streets in their new

Marine-style combat fatigues, but with green scarves round

Along the coast highway to

Doha and Damour, I found dozens of Lebanese Army

armoured vehicles with the

slogans of the Druze Progress-

ive Socialist Party painted on

their heads.

#### it unacknowledged until Janua-ry? Did the Prime Minister consult with him about con-tracts, and the Cementation contract in particular? Did he meet representatives of the Oman government to

discuss the contract, and if so was the meeting held, and the visit to the Gulf made, with the Prime Minister's consent? · "Finally, what agency, con-

sultancy or other financial arrangement with Cementation or any of tis associated firms As President Gemayel desperately sought ways to appease the forces threatening to overwhelm his rule in Lebanon, the multinational peacekeeping troops from the 4th Brigade had already defected to the side of the multinational peacekeeping does your son enjoy?

Mr Shore said the central Oman contract was how far the standards of conduct expected of ministers - that public duties and private interests must not conflict - should extend to close

members of a minister's family. It was not enough for Mrs Thatcher to say that she was "batting for Britain". Successive ministers had on overseas visits backed deals to assist British firms. "But I know of no previous occasion when a minister has batted for a single firm in which a member of his own family had a direct financial interest in the out-

the sides, each flying a red flag bearing the PSP emblem of crossed hammer and pen. Even mores Symbolic of the Continued on back page, col3 | come."

# Chernenko gives Trudeau hope

From Richard Owen, Moscow

Mr Pierre Trudeau, the had avoided the "stridency, Canadian Prime Minister, said recriminations and pre-conmonths, and that he thought the new Soviet leadership would

whelm his rule in Lebanon,

Druze and Shia Muslim militias

yesterday swept down to the Mediterranean coast south of

Beirui, breaking apart the Lebanese Army's 4th Infantry Brigade and sending hundreds

of dispirited troops streaming across the Awali River to the

In Beirut las night there were

even rumours that Mr Gemayel had asked former President Suleiman Franjieh - the Maro-

nite leader who invited the

Syrians to Lebanon eight years ago - to became head of state

safety of Israeli front lines.

Mr Trudeau met Mr Chernenko in the Kremlim for 35 minutes as the new Soviet party

leader held a second round of talks with world leaders. Mr Chernenko, chosen to succeed Mr Andropov on Monday, made his first public appearences on Tuesday as leader, holding talks with Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Vice-Presi-dent Bush and others in an

exhausting schedule of mee-

tinds.
The 72-year old leader seemed unwell in Red Square on Tuesday, and had difficulty breathing, but appeared rela-tively fit during yesterday's

nenko had emphasized political dialogue from the outset, and

Canadian Prime Minister, satu ditions" of the Andropov era.

Venezantia Chemenko that He had made no reference to Konstantin Chernenko that there was a "window of opportunity" for renewed East-west dialoque in the next three was that he thought the characteristic f Mr Andropov's characteristic f Mr Andropov's speeches until recently.

Mr Trudeau last year laun-

ched a one-man peace initiat-ive, visiting world capitals in an attempt to avert a complete collapse of East-West contacts. President Andropov, who became increasingly ill in Decem-ber and January was unable to receive him.

After the funeral on Tuesday Mr Chernenko spent some time in conversation with Mrs Thatcher at a Kremlin recep-

Although Mr Bush received more perfunctory treatment, Mrs Thatcher afterwards expressed hope for a broad understanding with the new Soviet leadership, and a new confidence between East and West. But she said results would come over years rather than

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#### Mr King: Expects "some fall" in levy. Investigation into BBC and ITV listings monopoly

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent pursaing conduct which amount to anti-competitive practices.

announcement was greeted with gloomy silence at both the BBC and TTP, but was welcomed by Mr Tony Elliott, the proprietor of the London listings magazine, Time Out which last year lost a lengthy legal battle against the mon-

"It is about time - I cannot imagine why this has not been investigated before," Mr Elliott said. His company is still paying its legal bill by instalments; Time Out has spent

£150,000 fighting the mon-

The Office of Fair Trading (OFT) said that it had received complaints from a number of independent publishers that they were unable to offer their readers a full television programme information service or produce new journals in competition with the Radio Times or TV Times. Members of the public had also complained about having to buy two

publications for full programme information. The investigation will centre on the restrictions and conditions placed by BBC and ITP on the amount and timing of advance programme infor-mation released to newspapers

The BBC and independent television companies have feared for some time that their monopoly was unlikely to last. The Times forecast in October 182 that the OFT intended to investigate the issue, but it is understood that the inquiry was delayed by the Time Out legal action and problems over the complexities of copyright law.

The effect of the Time Out

organizations had copyright on programme details. but the OFI will have to look at the issue in the light of public interest. There was little doubt in broadcasting circles last night that the result was unlikely to favour the continuation of the present control of programme information by the BBC and independent tele-

A number of publishers have come to realize that there is a vast market for a magazine which will give programme details of both schedules.

# Parkinson and Howell head Thatcher's list for EEC commissioner

From Ian Murray, Strasbourg

The Government is unlikely to nominate a Labour politition Commission, which has to be renewed from the start of next year, according to senior Conservatives in the European Parliament.

Hari

Beari

Thatcher wants to send a Conscrvative politicion, backed by a successful businessman, able to hold

Her short list is believed to have Mr Cecil Parkinson pencilled in for the leading ommissioner, with Mr David Howell, the former Secretary of State for Energ as a possible alternative. Mrs Thatcher is known to have the highest regard for Mr Parkinson's talent, despite his forced resignation. She favours him strong-

The Greater London Council

resterday became the exception

to the rule among large local authorities when it cut its rate for next year by 7.5 per cent.

Almost every county council in England has either rec-

ommended or agreed an in-

crease. The average rise for all

county councils is in line with

the rise in the cost of living

a 17-hour meeting in which Conservatives challenged many

Labour majority and called for

a larger cut. The cut was made

possible mainly by favourable

interest rates and a repayment

from the Government of

because the council's overs-

pending and therefore the

penalty claimed by the Govern-

ment were overestimated two

years ago, the council decided

yesterday to take a greater role

in organizing tourism by cancelling most of its 1984 grant of £360,000 to the London Tourist

Board and offering new council

jobs to board staff made

The GLC will appear on lists

of councils which would have been "rate-capped" this year.

Russian

paintings

are fakes

By a Staff Reporter

pected to fetch about £35,000

were withdrawn from a Sothe-

by's auction in London vester-

day after being revealed as

fakes. Seven other pictures were

downgraded because of doubts over their authenticity. The fakes, which came mostly from individual owners

abroad, included a painting

supposedly by one of the most

important ninetcenth century

out is that in many cases they

came from abroad and we had

to catalogue them from photo-

Despite the unfavourable

atmosphere created by the

Russian fakes, the remaining

works sold comparatively well, producing £177,006 with 17 per

cent bought in (Huon Mallalieu

An American collector paid

£20,900 for a characteristic

£3.000 to £5,000). At Phillips a sale which

included gold and silver boxes

and portrait miniatures produced a total of £93,473 with 12

painting by Aivazovsky.

£177,000 sale

Six Russian paintings

redundant as a result.

The money became due

The GLC agreed its cut after

On the other hand Brussels is regarded as a political back-

water which Mr Parkinson sidelines who could be called on might not want to enter. Mr Howell may consider he has no chance of ever serving in another government under Mrs Thatcher and be glad to make

For the most technical job Instead Mrs Margaret the choice would be easier. Approaches are known to have chairman of Marks & Spencer his own in the intricacies of There are others waiting in the



Mr Howell (left) and Mr

N Yorks

Notes
Oxon
Salop
S Yorks
Staffs
Somerset
Suffolk
Surrey
W Mids
W Surrey

Source: Local Government Chronicle companson of rate precapts next year and this; all metropolitan and some shire Squres

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of

State for the Environment, promised yesterday to give the

lists to members of the Com-

mons standing committee on the Rates Bill. The lists will

show which councils would

have been capped already had

the Bill been enacted last year.

politan and some shire ded, not approved.

GLC reduces the

rate by 7.5%

By Hugh Clayton, Local Government Correspondent

County rate rises

were he unable or unwilling to

The appointment cause an outery from Labour, which regard the post of second commissioner as the Opposition party's by right. But Mrs Thatcher seems to feel that Britain's interests are not best been made to Lord RaynEr, the served by giving one of those important jobs to a member of to see if he might be interested. a party with a less than total commitment to the EEC. Her idea is to form a two-member

> It was Lord Carrington who suggested the idea of keeping a Labour Commissioner in Brussels, arguing that that was one way of ending the Labour hostility to the EEC.

> In the event, however. Mr Ivor Richard, the Labour nominee, has found himself pushed to the fringe of the party's mainstream because of his pro-EEC stance.

# First rise A warning of a return to bitterly-fought divorce cases

in jobs since 1979 The number of jobs in the economy has begun to rise for the first time since the recession began in 1979, according to official figures published yester-

dav. Employment in industry, construction, and the service sector rose by 39,000 in the third quarter of last year after four years of continuous de-

cline. The new jobs have been created in the service sector. Service employment has been rising since the beginning of last ear, up by 181,000 in the first nine months. The 76,000

increase in the third quarter was big enough to outweigh the continuing though slower loss of manufacturing jobs, which fell by 29,000. In the fourth quarter the drop was only

When the services and the self-employed are included, the Department of Employment

Sheffield City Council, which estimates that the number of has levied high rate increases in people in work began to recent years, announced a rise increase in the second quarter for the coming 12 months of of last year. But the unemployless than 5 per cent. Mr David ment figures so far have been Blunkett, leader of the council, little affected because many of said that the rates could have those getting jobs have not been been cut if ministers had not officially counted as unem-

breaks" by requiring courts to consider a wife's potential carnings, are best "irrelevant" and at worst damaging to women and children, the • A call for the effects of the divorce proposals to be monitored should they become law comes today from the Family

Divorce

Bill

By Frances Gibb

Legal Affairs Correspondent

and a further drain on legal aid

comes from lawyers today as

the Government's proposals on divorce reach the Commons for

The Matrimonial and Family

Proceedings Bill will reduce wives' rights to maintenance

and "put conduct back under

the microscope for the first time in nearly 10 years", the Legal

Action Group of lawyers says.
Its briefing paper to MPs is
the latest salvo against a Bill

which has attracted critics spanning the Church of Eng-

land, the Law Society, one-

parent families and the Married

The proposal that spouses'

conduct should be taken into

account in settling maintenance

where it would be unfair to

disregard it will involve solici-

tors investigation husbands'

and wives behaviour in every

"As a consequence concili-

ation will be made more

difficult and an increase in

expensive litigation, much of it funded by legal aid, can be

Both the Legal Action Group

and the Law Society are urging

where it is so "gross and obvious" that it would be

inequitable to disregard it.
The Government's proposals,

aimed at encouraging "clean

courts to consider conduct only

Vomen's Association.

case, the group says.

expected.

second reading.

warning :

Policy Studies Centre.

# Army seal off IRA escape routes

To the rescue: Mr Ken Rimmel (left), Mrs Margaret Mitchell and Mr Anthony Turner inspecting the engine of a Second

World War RAF Typhoon recovered yesterday from Pagham Harbour, near Chichester (Photograph: Barry Beattie).

Sogat served with writ

for £148,000 damages

By Our Labour Correspondent

don distribution of the Radio would not pay any fines

reland, started to block unauthorized crossings on the border with the Irish Republic yesterday as part of a pilot scheme aimed at reducing escape routes for terrorists.

However, their activities in Co Fermanagh brought protests from residents and nationalist politicians along with concern in Dublin where Dr Garret Fitzgerald's government believes such measures are counter-productive.

The operation to seal three border roads between Ferma-nagh and Co Monaghan came after a detailed review of border security which began after the murder of three church elders worshipping in a Pentecostal hall near the border, fast year. Their deaths prompted the Official Unionist Party to walk out of the Northern Ireland Assembly and brought demands for tougher security along the 300-mile border.

A security cordon was placed around Roslea as Army engineers guarded by soldiers and police started their work. The Northern Ireland Office

Sogat '82, the printing union, has been served by the BBC with a writ for damages for

£143,000 resulting from the

dispute at Mr Robert Maxwell's

Park Royal printing works in

west London that halted Lon-

Times for almost three months.

general secretary, said last might that action for damages

involving a total of more than

were outstanding

£600,000

Security forces in Northern said Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. had approved applications from the security forces for the roads to be closed and that it could not rule out similar operations

> Nationalist politicians were critical of yesterday's operation while Unionists, who have demanded tough measures ranging from electric fence to permanent checkpoints, welcomed what many people privately concede is little more than a "cosmetic," exercise.

- A new dispute broke out between prison officers at the Maze jail and the Northern Ireland Office last hight as a result of the announcement that copies of the Hennessy Report into the mass escape by membership of the Provisional IRA had been made available for prisoners to read.

Each wing of the top security H-block has received one copy, of the report by Sir James Hennessy, Chief Inspector of Prisons, into last September's escape by 38 terrorist prisoners, half of whom are still at large.

The union this week paid the

£10,000 fine imposed by the

High Court for not obeying an

injunction issued by the BBC to lift the blacking of the Radio

Times in London, Union

officials had stated that they

resulting from the Govern-

ment's employment legislation.

Mr Roy Evans, deputy

leader of the Iron and Steel

Trades Confederation, is to

succed Mr Bill Sirs as general

secretary when he retires next

#### Parents may see secret records

nittee today. This moves towards greater openness would bring the Inner 163 secondary schools into line see the files held on them by

Mr Des Wilson, is calling for a statutory "right to know" and the Data Protection Bill now in the House of Commons would give people access to their files on computer. Manual records, which is what school records are, would not be covered by

er's Association is in favour of the idea, Mr Bernard Regan, of to opening records to parents, said the Inner London NUT

- notably Brent, Leicester and Derbyshire - have full-blown policies giving parents access to records. Leicester, bowever, has a proviso that the head can retain sensitive information.

Education, set up by

Parents of all 142,000 secondary pupils in London will be allowed to see the confidential records held on their children by schools from this September if a proposal is approved by the schools sub-

The ILEA is proposing to consult heads and teachers about the plan and its task is made much easier by the fact that the Inner London Teachthe National Union of Teachers, which used to be opposed

#### help industry just because things are improving. Sir Terence said. erence said. He also challenged the proposition that manufacturing was being superceded by the service industries. About thire quarters of British's exportactivity was attributable directly

No time to

sit back,

CBI tells

Chancellor

By Edward Townsend Industrial Correspondent

With the Budget just four weeks away, Sir Terence

Beckett, director general of the

Confederation of British Indus-

try told the Chancellor yester-

day that inaction could leave

"Britain could miss the

recovery bus", he told the

In spite of the recent opti-

mism displayed in the CBPs

quarterly trends survey, the best

since the start of the recession,

Sir Terence said the recovery

was still patchy. "We have to face the fact that it offers inthe

hope of increased job oppor-

tunity for some time to come

the abolition of the National

insurance surcharge, a cut in the

business rates burden and

further encouragement to enter-

or indirectly to manufacturing he said. Pay Warning, rage 19

Yard holds

some seized

documents

returned most of the documents

taken by police officers from the

bicycle pannier bags of Mr. Duncan Campbell, the New Statesman journalist, after he

They returned his contacts

book, with about 900 personal

and professional telephone numbers, and notes he had

made for articles. Three docu-

They are: architectural plans

of an RAF base, on which Mr

Campbell wrote an article six

weeks ago: leaked Home Office

papers on immigrant detention,

which were the basis of a story printed in 1981; and a home

defence planning document 12 years old which he had in his

role as member of a Greater

Mr Hugh Stevenson, editor of

the magazine, said the return of

some documents showed the

Special Branch were "backing down", but Scotland Yard said

last night that a report is still

being prepared for the Director

In today's issue of the magazine Mr Campbell de-

scribes the material taken from

his house in a seven hour search

under magistrates warrant, by

Special Branch officers, after th

accident. That material is still

One was a ministry docu-

ment, already widely publicised.

on instructions to soldiers about

how to defecate in the Arctin

without injuring themselves. It

had been sent to Mr Campbell

by the BBC's Jasper Carrott

show, which had intended using

of Public Prosecutions.

London Council committee.

ments were retained.

had a road accident last week:

Scotland Yard yesterday

He repeated the CBI's call for

London region.

Britain behind in the economic

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

London Education Authority's state agencies.

The new Campaign for Freedom of Information, run by

# not "sit back and do nothing to

with the primaries and comes at a time of increasing pressure for individuals to be allowed to

Only a handful of authorities

Welcoming the plan yesterday, the Advisory Centre for Young of Dartington, said at the same time that the authority had not faced up to whether parents should have access to all information kept by the school.

#### it as a joke in the comedy

being retained.

Correction Mr Vinny Connell, a disc jockey with independent Radio City, was dismissed last October for "persist olishissed last October for "persistently reporting late for duty", not for "being drunk and aggressive at personal appearances", as reported on February 7. Mr Connell, whom the report described as an Irishman,

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# withheld government grants. Benn tries fitting jobless to work

by-election, suggested a way yesterday to match up skills of

the unemployed with the

community's needs. Mr Benn asked in a local magazine whether Chesterfield's unemployed could draw up a skill register and a list of urgent needs. He thought they might then match skill and need, estimate cost, and campaign for support from unions and the community to imple-

Russian masters, Ivan Aivament the plan. zovsky, which was estimated at Mr Benn, who told a press conference that local people between £8,000 and £12,000. All will be returned to their were paying an estimated £272m in taxes to pay for the "There are a lot of Russian takes around." Sotheby's said. unemployed, said that he would sponsor the scheme as a clement of Labour national The reason these got as far as the catalogue without us finding

> Finance, would present no difficulty. There were North Sea oil revenues. £12,000m a year in exported capital: £17,000 a year lost through unemployment, and £12.000m to be spent on the Tident nuclear deterrent.

Put at its simplest. Mr Benn said he had visited an old people's home where the shoer did not work. He had also met an unemployed plumber and he argued that it would be better to put the plumber to work on the broken shower rather than spend money to keep him unemployed.

A particularly charming work in gouache by Leon Bakst, showing his future wife and Mr Benn, who has been criticized for hiding his policies small girl examining a set of postcards which he had designed, sold to an English collector for £13,200 (estimate reexamine its policies.

during the campaign, said that if he was elected on March 1 then the next day the Govern-ment would immediately immediately He also defended his attack on Mr Vincent Hanna, the BBC

television commentator, who,

Mr Benn had said on Tuesday

had taken on the role of "the SDP candidate" in trying to

From Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent, Chesterfield Mr Tony Benn, Labour persuade Tory and Labour candidate in the Chesterfield voters to switch their support

tactically to the Liberal/Alliance Mr Nicholas Bourne, the Conservative candidate, commented: "Mr Benn is renowned for making attacks on the press: I think he might be running scared."

The BBC said in a statement vesterday: "The BBC has always been, and will continue to be. inmpartial in its coverage of elections. Mr Benn's charge that the BBC is spending £4,000 a day on the by-election is quite untrue: the actuast cost is less than a quarter of that."

The candidates: Tony Benn Habi Nicholas Bourne (Con): Max Payne (Lib): Bill Maynard (Ind Lab); Helen Anscombe (Keep Death of the Roads); Thomas Layton (Spare the



Mr Benn at Chesterfield

# Leading article, page 13 against the union, which would be defending all the writs. Unions are

relieved by report

By Craig Seton Civil Service Union officials inside GCHQ at Cheltenham yesterday expressed quiet satisfaction and relief at the select committee's report which they

believe has firmly opened the door to a negotiated settlement with the Government. Mr Mike Barke, coordinator for the Council of Civil Service Unions in Cheltenham, said yesterday: "Most of the staff I have spoken to want an agreement which will provide a guarantee of no disruption to

intelligence gathering services and local union representatives are confident that satisfactory assurances can be given to ensure a 24-hour a day, sevenday a week operation Mr Barke said: The select committee report has put the ball in the Government's court and appears to open the way to a negotiated settlement and that will bring great relief. However, local union representatives at GCQH will want to look very

any proposed agreement to make sure that unions at GCQH are not emasculated." Unofficially, local union representatives believe that their leaders will have to broach the question of a financial deal as part of any no-disruption

carefully at the precise terms of

#### ban timing queried The following is the partial text of the Commons select committee on employment's report on unions in the Government Communications

Headquarters: la approaching our inquiry we began by agreeing on four fundamental points: governments have a responsibility to ensure that national security is protected; questions of national security do

arise at GCHQ: industrial action at GCHQ could affect national security in certain circumstances; and the Government have a duty to ensure that the exercise of trade union rights does not adversely affect national security. In trying to reach a view about

the Government's action, we have sought answers to a number of

(i) Was it necessary to ban unions at GCHQ?
(ii) What other options did the Government consider (iii) Why were they rejected? (iv) Were there any other options that could have been

One point which has concerned us is the timing of the action. In their evidence the Government has indicated that they were seriously disturbed by the effects on operations at GCHQ of the industrial action there between February, 1979, and April, 1981. Yet the Government made no announcement of action to deal with the matter until January, 1984. announcement of action to deal with the matter until January, 1984. We do not consider that the explanation given by the Government justifies the delay. This was that the action they have now taken could not have been decided upon at a time when the intelligence role of GCHQ had not been publicly acknowledged or avowed, and that

avowal was not made until May 1983. Does this mean that but for 1983. Does this mean that but for the exposure of a spy, which led to the avowal, the Government would have continued indefinitely to be seriously distrubed about possible threats to national security at GCHQ and yet be prepared to take no action? no action?

The unitateral alteration of the

terms and conditions of employ-ment of the staff of GCHQ was admitted by Sir Geoffrey Howe to be an unprecedented act. (The Secretary of State for Employment assured us that it did not set a assured us that it did not set a precedent for action outside the security and intelligence field). The CCSU (Council of Civil Service Unions) said that they were outraged at the announcement of the deprivation of trade union rights, and their members, particularly those at GCHQ, shared that sense of outrage. They also sense of outrage. They also considered that the unprecedented

staff.

Thus, according to the unions, the Government's actions appear to have soured relations with the staff affected and to have lowered morale, as well as resulting in damaging public controversy and widespread and unwelcome publicity for GCHQ. We do not wish to add further to the criticisms that have been made by others: we would simply observe that the handling of the issue could not be described as a model of its kind.

We turn now to the substance of the

sense of outrage. They also considered that the unprecedented offer of ex-grain payments of £1000 (subject to tax) to members of staff who would accept the proposed revised conditions of employment had provoked the indignation of the staff.

We turn now to the substance of the action taken by the Government, as distinct from its presentation. In giving reasons for the Government's decision the Prime Minister stressed the need to treat GCHQ like other

security services. But there are important differences. The staff of services like M15 have never enjoyed trade union rights, whereas GCHQ employees always have. To remove those rights, which are also remove the staff of the s enjoyed by many other civil servants in highly secret posts, from GCHQ is the most serious step, which has provoked strong oppo-sition from the staff and the trade union movement, and caused major political controversy. It is necessary to consider whether the Govern-ment could achieve their objectives in some other way.

Before coming to our recommendations, we refer to the evidence from Sir Brian Tovey. There are two preliminary observations to make. First, at no time has it been represented to the committee, either in public or in private, that there has been any threat to national security through the influence of trade unions on operations at GCHQ other than those incidents which have been referred to publicly. have been reterred to publicly.

Secondly, given the view expressed by Sir Brian that if even only 10 per cent of those who work at GCHO declined to accept the terms offered and ceased to work there, this could be a threat to the whole operation, if they were in the wrong or key operational areas. we are surprised that, while there could be no certainly either way about how many staff would leave, no contingency plans were made.

... key passages in Sir Brian Tovey's evidence, however, seem to point the way to a solution that could be acceptable to the trade unions as well as to the Government. Sir Brian makes it clear that, had the concession now offered by the unions been available at the time he was drawing up plans to ban them.
the concessions would have met all
the requirements

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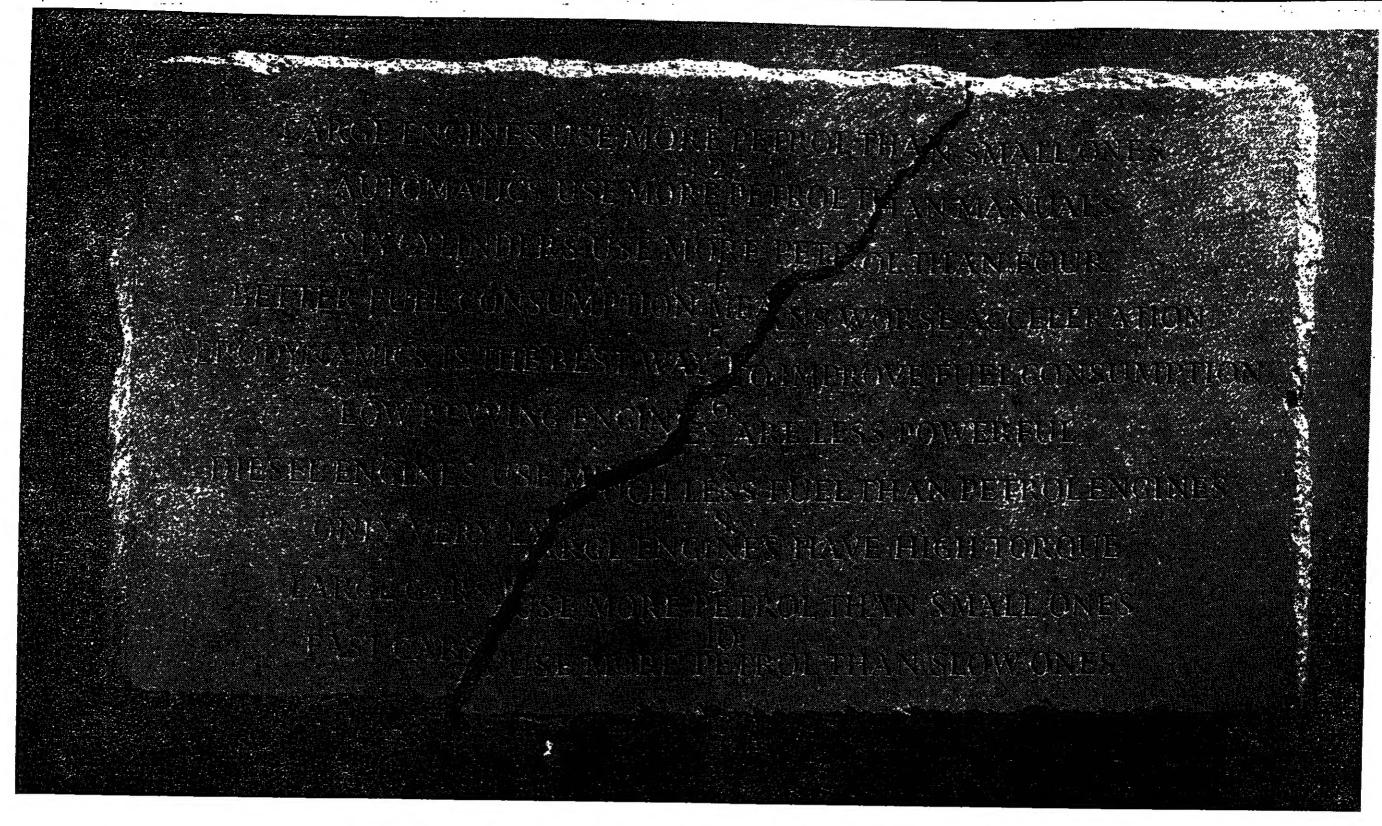
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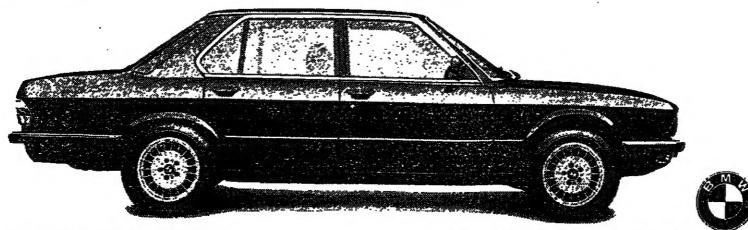
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# Searching look at operation of wages councils

LOW PAY

The operation of a number of wages councils was such that a government would be failing in its duty if it was not willing to look with a fresh eve at the system. Mr Selwyn Gummer. Minister of State for Employment, said during a Com-mons debate on the problem of low

Pay. He said that in the last few days they had heard of two wages councils which seemed to want to place the minimum rate for 17-yearplace the minimum rate for 17-year-olds at a level which would exclude many employers from being able to benefit from the young workers scheme. It might mean fewer jobs being available for the young.
Wages councils were set up, and

were continued, in order to protect those who were believed most vulnerable and most likely to receive low pay. The reason for their existence was a thoroughly good one and the purpose behind their creation wholly laudable.

The other side of the coin the said is this: If the operation of these councils leads to more unemploy-ment, fewer jobs, less opportunity, then it would by quite wrong for any government concerned about unem-ployment not to consider carefully the way in which these councils

work.
The Government would look with the most scarching eye into the operation of the wages councils and examine fairly whether or not their existence and operation increased unemployment. If that turned out to would be a dereliction of duty if the Government continued a system merely because they had always had it and because Winston

Churchill proposed it in 1909. Mr John Smith, chief Opposition spokesman on employment (Monk-lands East, Lab) said, when opening the debate, that the Government had revoked the fair wages resolution and repealed Schedule II of the 1975 Employment Protection Act to facilitate the privatization of public services. Many private firms contracting for public services, he said, reduced their costs by cutting the wages of their workers.

Mr Smith moved a motion deploring the poverty, injustice and discrimination caused by low pay, condemning the Government for deliberately fostering low pay levels and calling upon it to abandon its threat to abolish wages councils. He said the Opposition sought to place firmly on the agenda of debate

in the House and in the nation the serious and growing problem of the millions of Britons who were paid less than was necessary to maintain what the Council of Europe had called a decency threshold for

million adult workers and nearly one-third of the entire adult work force in this country had earnings which fell below that threshold.

The four groups most afflicted by low pay were manual workers. women, young people and ethnic minonties. It was a worsening problem. In 1979 a tenth of male

**ELECTORAL LAW** 

Liberal Bill to introduce

proportional representation for local

government elections was given an

important first reading in the

Mr Malcolm Bruce (Gordon, L)

seeking leave to introduce the Bill, said that it was well timed with the

present probems of local govern-

Most MPs would agree that most decisions should be taken as closely

as possible to the people affected by those decisions and that people

living in those areas were those best qualified to recognize the problems

affecting their areas and to take

His Bill would make measures like the abolition of metropolitan

authorities unnecessary because, while it would not prevent radical

and progressive councils being elected, it would ensure that parties

seeking control would need to win a

wide range of support in the community. Militant minorities would not be able to take control

against the express wishes of the

1983 it was one in six. Two-thirds of manual working women were paid in 1979 it was now three-quarters. Although the numbers of low paid workers had been increasing the Government had continued to argue that people were pricing themselves out of jobs, Government policy was increasingly directed to lowering wage levels with the so-called aim of job creation through

The use of the fear of reundancy to curb the ambitions of the poorly paid had been reinforced by the Government's attacks on the wages councils, the abandonment of the fair wages resolution, the effects of privatization and the driving down of young people's wage through Youth Training Scheme allowances and the Young Workers'

The wages councils were first established by Winston Churchll in 1909. They had sought to set legally enforcable minimum rates of pay in what were once called the sweated trades where workers were particu-larly vulnerable. This Government, going even further than the hard-faced governments of the inter-war years, was set to abolish the councils years, was set to abolish the councils and renounce Britain's obligations under the International Labour Organization.

Since coming to office the Government had cut the number of inspectors needed to police wase

of inspectors needed to police wage council legisation by more than half. The number of inspections had been reduced and so had the prosecutions resulting from these inspections. Illegal under-payment by employers had substantially increased.

The Government's plan in undermining the wages councils and then abolishing them was to drive low levels of pay even lower and make unprotected workers even more unprotected. That was paralleled by the abandonment of the fair wages resolution of the House, revoked in the last Parliament, and Schedule 11 of the Employment Protection Act 1975. repealed in the last Parliament.
The fair wages resolution had

stood for many years and had been commended by a series of Conservative governments before the political ice age descended in 1979. It had also been supported by good employers who did not want their wages The House now knew why the lair wages resolution and Schedule 11 were thrown away, it was to facilitate the privatization of public services and let loose destructive wage cutting which would cut the cost of providing ancillary services through the

Many private firms contracting for public services cut their costs by cutting the wages of their workers. wboy competition was let loose as firms wanting to pay fair wages were undermined by more ruthless competitors. The Young Workers' order to encourage them to pay low

rages to young workers.
The Government was determined to keep the Youth Training Scheme allowance down to £25, yet the Manpower Services Commission had recommended that it should be regularly updated. If that had been

turnout and would have the unexpected benefit of increasing the

proportional representation to be tested in practice and allow

politicians to see how it worked and what effect it had.

There were relatively few councils where the ruling party had a

majority of votes.

The overall effect of the Bill

would be a constructive relationship between central and local govern-ment and that the Government would find that instead of taking

powers away from local councils it would be able to give them more

people did not understand the proportional representation system,

but the Irish had shown they could

The Bill had support from all

parties in the House and many had parties in the House and many had indicated that although they had differences of opinion about the ment of changing the electoral system, some saw local government

manage it quite well. (Laughter)

It had been argued that British

Liberal Bill for PR at

local council elections

gainst the express wishes of the as the logical place to start and the present state of local government this measure would have admade it the right time.



Smith: Below threshold

done it would now be between £34 . Who produced those goods could

They should not ask the taxpayer to subsidize low pay employers.
Why should low pay workers be forced to go to social security offices to get a supplement? why should ibility be thrown on to the backs of the taxpayer?

Mr Gummer moved a Government amendment stating that the most important step towards any ovement in pay levels was by a eral improvement in the nomy. It welcomed the encouraging signs of economic recover, the improvement in training, the increase in productivity and the reduction in inflation, and recognized that the number of people who had a job would depend directly on the pay levels of those in

could not be written off by a series of slogans.
Government and Opposition

alike were concerned but they differed on how the problem could be tackled. The Opposition motion was strong on deploring and condemning but weak on proposal solutions. It failed to relate the to general

conditions.

If there was to be an improvement, low pay must be improved in absolute terms, and this inevitably meant that the country's economic performance must be improved. It was self-evident that the level of real pay depended on what could be produced and sold. There were no simple solutions. Neither legislation for incomes policies nor printing nor incomes policies nor printing money could produce real wealth. To increase real earnings and improve job prospects meant keeping down inflation, improving

productivity and sharpening com-petitiveness. There was no short cut Those who say there is a short cut (he said) are conning themselves and conning the most vulnerable

people in our society.

Those who believed in a minimum wage did not carry that logic through and include a

Britain had entered the world recession after a period in which her cost competitiveness had been heavily eroded by vast increases in ecessary increase in productivity. Money wages had been taking an increasing share of national income at the expense of profits and, therefore, of future investment. Now, because of this Government's economic policies, the country's economic performance had greatly

LAW OF SEA

The United Kingdom could not sign

the convention on the law of the sea unless a satisfactory regime for deep sea mining could be obtained, Lady Young, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonweakh Affairs, said during a debate on the subject in the

House of Lords.

The failure of the United Kingdom and the United States to join 132 other nations in signing the

Law of the Sea Treaty, designed to safeguard the riches of the sea-bed

and establish the right of access to the oceans of the world to all, threatened the future of all maritime nations, Lord Caradon (Lab) said in

opening the debate.
Urging the Government to sign

the convention before the deadline of December, he said it had taken

almost a decade to produce a document which was probably

unique in international negotiations in the vast amount of agreement

It established the rights of states

having borders on the sea, exclusive economic zones, rights of navi-gation and innocent passage, fishing rights, and matter of pollution and

Four contries had voted against the treaty including the United

Inflation had a direct effect on jobs and wages. Getting it down was a prerequisite to improving living standards. Inflation was increased by wages not earned by pro-ductivity. Goods more expensive than those of competitors would not be sold easily and the jobs of people decisions of wages councils.

# Rules on packaging to prevent poisoning

In the year to the third quarter of 1983 unit wage costs in manufactur

ing industry rose by 3 per cent. But Japan's unit costs had not risen at all. In the United States and West Germany they actually fell by 2 per That (he said) is a serious fact for

the future of jobs and waged in this country. It means our competitors are able to produce goods cheaper harmful to our own people. The opposition should answer the

question: If it was true for Mr. Healey that the level of wages affected the level of employment, what had happened to change that in the former Chancellor of the Improvements in standards of

living for the low paid depended crucially upon Britain's general economic health, improved competiveness, the reduction of inflation, the improvement of productivity, the extension of training and innovative and entrepreneurial

richer by driving brains and skill away or by stagnating the economy. Mr Thomas Pendry (Stalybridge and Hyde, Lab) said his constituecy carners. A recent survey showed shocking discrepencies when set against average weekly carnings. His constituents demanded and deserved a better deal for low wage carners than they were getting from the Government. Since 1979 the problems for the low paid had increased alarmingly.

Mr Eric Cockeram (Ludiow, C) said employers were willing to take on a gro"p of youths and put six or seven pound notes in their pocket on Friday night. He knew of youths who would willingly do that for the training and experience, but in wages councils industries that would be illegal, so wages councils were contributing to unemployment

Mr David Penhaligon (Truro, L) said that Government's current policy was unbelievably harsh and making the situation worse for a large number of extremely vulnerpeople, but the solutions were not easy or obvious.

He could show the Government pay slips for adults working in environments outside wages councils with a top line before tax in the region of £45, £48 and £50 a week. Abolishing the whole fabric of wages councils would be scandalous. Mr David Atkinson (Bournmouth,

East () said the Government must face up the reality that wages councils had outlived their usefulness and have helped to create unemployment. All MPs must have received complaints from em-ployers who had been affected by cations Bill, comittee, third day.

had abstained along with 16 other nations. That threatened to bring

the whole enterprise to an end and destroy the years of work that had gone into it. the world had declared and the United States had denied.

Lord Kennet (SDP) said the

importance of the convention was

that it was not a codification of existing international laws, but took

entirely new and unprecedented steps in the organization of human

The danger was that the United States would sign a treaty with other rich mining nations of the world. What sort of a contribution would that be to the world as a whole?

President Reagan had been wrong not to sign and the Government had

been wrong to go along with him by abstaining. It was in the British interest to sign and President Reagan should be told in clear terms

that we would do so.

It was a sad interlude in the
United Kingdom's scafaring history,
but there was still time to put it right
by adding our signature before

Lord Elwyn-Jones said that as a major trade dependent maritime nation. Britain had a a vital interest

in the production of international rules for using the sea whose legitimacy was recognized through-

SAFETY

regulations shortly requiring the more hazardous household products to be properly packaged and labelled. There will also be a publicity campaign to make parents publicity campaign to make paients fully aware of the dangers of those products. Mr Alexander Fletcher, Under Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said in a written reply in the Commons.

The Government is to publish new

Answering a series of questions by Mr John Forrester (Stoke-on-Trent. North, (ab) about the use o child-resistant closures of household products which had been the main cause of child poisoning. Mr Fletcher said that they should try to get a standard agreed internationally rather than just at European or national level and the International Standards Organization was work-

ing to that end.
The British Standards Institute was consulting industry about mechanical testing of child resistant closures to help draw up an international standard for all child resistant packaging, Industry was free to use the existing British standard if it wished.

Mr Fletcher said that he would be meeting Lord Ennals and represen-tatives of a working party on child resistant closures which had recommended in the absence of selected groups of household products which caused serious injury or a large number of suspected poisonings in young children.

#### London OAPs will still travel free

The Government will safeguard the arrangements for pensioners in London after the abolition of the GLC, Mr Nicholas Ridley, Sec-retary of State for Transport, explained in a Commons written

reply.

He said the London Boroughs Association had agreed the principle of a joint scheme for concessionary travel and discussions on the detailed arrangements were pro-

The London Regional Transport Bill would make provision for the continuation of a uniform scheme should any of the London local authorities refuse to take part. London Regional

would offer free off-peak travel to pensioners and disabled people and free travel at all times for the blind. The cost would be recouped from the London authorities who issure the necessary permits, and any charge those authorities might wish to make for issuing them would registre his consent.

Parliament today Commons (2:30): Matrimonial and Family Proceeds Bill, second reading. Lords (3): Telecommuni-

Satisfactory regime for deep sea mining needed

countries most vulnerable to the absence of a generally accepted

regime of the sea. Three lost cod wars should have brought that

General Council of British Shipping

because of its new provisions for the freedom of navigation and on

Caradon: Years of

work threatened.

pollution. BP and Shell said it

tion to signing was because of the deep sea bed mining provisions and

would have potential mining

The Government's main objec-

#### tive of all the efforts being made on the Lower Clyde is to find a new Any moves BP might be contembuyer who will be prepared to carry on a business of doing offshore construction on that site. That is the principle objective in the mind of BS as they negotiate with the various parties that have shown an

interest

inversiyde and the taxpayer will be

Mr Younger: The principle objec-

Mr Gordon Wilson (Dundee East.

SNFI: Norway has used the issue of

oil licences to industrial oportuni-

itself in a situation where oil licences are granted to BP on the

Firth of Clyde and yet BP are ready to kick Scott Lithgow in the

stomach over the removal of the oil

rig contract: an example of incompetence by a Government

when there is no pressure put on oil

companies to bring jobs to Scotland.

Mr Younger: He is certainly uninformed on the matter. The last

place we should wish to emulate on oil policy is Norway and the various

problems they have had.
We are regularly exceeding 70 percent of the content of North Sea oil

order being produced in this country. That is a pretty good

Mr Norman Godman (Greenoch

ties. How does the Government find

BS must deal with

BP oil rig moves

OIL RIGS

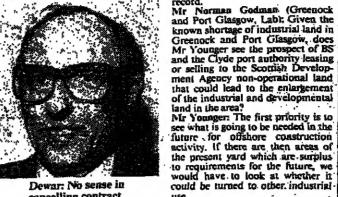
plating over the completion of its rig being built at Scott Lithgow were for British Shipbuilders to deal with, Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland, said during Commons exchanges about the

He was replying to Mr Donald Dewar, chief Opposition spokesman on Scotland, who referred to recent reports about the possible cancellation of the BP rig.

Has the Secretary of State been in touch with BP, which is 48 per cent Government-owned and has recently been successful in licences for the Firth of Clyde, asked Mr Dewar. It really makers no sense at all (he added) to cancel a contract which is within a few weeks of completion. Mr Younger: It is a straight matter of the contract between British Shipbuilders and BP. If any moves

Shipbuilders and BP. If any moves are contemplated by BP about this, it is for BS to deal with.

Exchanges on Scott Lithgow began when Mr Malcom Bruce (Gordon, L) said there was considerable concern the Government transferring assets in was transferring assets in



Dewar: No sense in cancelling contract.

public ownership to private owner-ship at a price which was not to and an advantage of the taxpayer.

On what basis might such a national asset as the land on which a yard like Scott Lithgow be transferred? Will Mr Younger assure the House it will not be at less than the commercial value and that the interests of the people of

#### Straw burning fine may be doubled

The maximum penalty for infringing straw and stubble burning beclaws could go up this year from £1,000 to £2,000. Lord Betstead, Minister of State for Agriculture Fisheries and Food, indicated in the House of Lords late on Tuesday.

He explained that Mr. Leon Britain, the Home Secretary, was preparing an order increasing the maximum summary increasing the

The Straw and Stubble Burning Prohibition Bill sponsored by Lord Alpon (C), was read a second time 27 votes to 21 - majorfty, six. The Bill sets up a system of licensing or arable farmers who burn straw and would ban the practice after five

it had been the powerul lobby representing these interests in the United States which had been

largely responsible for America's

change of direction.
Refusal to sign would create the

danger that governments would become disillusioned about the

possibility of resolving difficulties through negotiation. The alternative

was fragmentation of maritime law

and an increasing slide towards

Viscount Hood said there were

valuable resources on the sea bed

such as nickel, copper and cobalt, but there were problems in bringing

them to the surface. Any company undertaking such a vastly expensive

operation would not do so without security of tenure. He was not

convinced the Treaty would benefit

Lord Campbell of Croy (C) said

that the developing countries by insisting on unsuitable international regimes for deep sea mining might

deprive themselves and the rest of the world for longer than was necessary of the new source of

Lord Denning said he would

commend the government to ratify the convention because it would be

the embodiment of a consensus of

here was a bizarre paradox here

deep sea bed mining.

minerals.

expected cost of collecting the tax was estimated at around £5m.

Land tax

and in the area?

Big majority At the end of the Commons debate on Tuesday night, the Supplemen-tary Benefit (Requirements) Amendment Regulations 1984 were approved by 350 votes to 209 – Government majority, 141. In a further series of divisions, the revised housing benefit regulations were approved by similar large

Mr John Moore, Financial Sec-

retary to the Treasury, said, in a

Commons written reply, that in 1983-84 the expected yield of

development land tax £70m and the

Spending plans

Mr Peter Rees, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, in a written answer. said the Government's expenditure plans for 1984-85 to 1986-87 would be published tomorrow (Thursday).

New peer :

majorities.

Lore Bottomiey, formerly Mr Arthur Bottomiey, Labour MP for Teesside, Middlesbrough, was introduced in the House of Lords.

Lady Young, replying, said the United Kingdom would like to see a

comprehensive regime on the matters which were acceptable to

all, it had hoped the third United

Nations conference on the law of the

sea would produce a text which could be adopted by consensus.

Agreement was not reached on the provisions relating to deep sea

One hundred and thirty two

countries had signed the convention and eight states had ratified it.

There was much in the convention

that: was helpful. But the United

The United Kingdom had not

The government was considering

and making preparations for an extension to 12 miles of the United

introduce this and other chang

turned its back on the convention but was seeking to improve the deep

sca mining regime.

Kingdom could not sign it unless a Statisfactory regime could be obtained for deep sea-bed mining. Thirty seven other countries had not signed the convention.

national law operated.

Yet that does not dispose of

resisted if the new system of select committees, which was established with so much acclaim early in the last Parliament, is not to lose its

of political purity.

But if the independence of parliamentary conventions.
The whips ought to have

a satisfactory outcome of the UN law of the sea conference.

#### Cuts threat to London visitors

The London Tourist Board said yesterday that its services for visitors to the capital might have to be reduced because of a Greater London Council decision to withdraw financial

The GLC has given the board two months notice that its annual support of £360,000 is to end, although it will pay £82,000 for this financial year. The board said in a statement

today: "London will be unique among major tourist capitals and wihin the UK in having no major local government in-volvement in its tourist board and convention bureau." Other funds will be sought.

The board markets London as a tourist centre and provides information services and centres along with other tourism development roles. About one fifth of its total £1.5 million budget has been funded by the GLC which now intends to set up its own tourist organisation.

It has expressed dissatisfaction with the board saying it dence of the private member, has failed to become involved which tends to be low at the in key policy areas, such as beginning of a Parliament, to registration schemes for hotels and low wages paid to people in the townist business to people in the townist business are election



Geoffrey Smith

The employment select committee's report on the GCHQ furore is notable not only for what it has to say on the issue, but also because it has managed to say it unani-mously. This is not a trivial point. A select committee is likely to be influential only if it resists the temptation to split into party factions. Nor could it be taken for granted in this instance that there would be a united report. The committee's proceedings seem to have been just about as turbulent as the

episode it was investigating.
Two potentiallywitnesses were prevented by the Government from giving evidence. There were official qualms over Sir Brian Tovey, a former director of GCHQ, who did give evidence. Mr John Gorst, who was then unofficial leader of the Conservative majority, publicly attacked his own party's whips for excessive interference, and then sub-sequently resigned his position after clashes with some of the other Tories on the committee,

The scene was complicated by Mr Gorst's failure to secure the approval of the other Conservative members before agreeing with the Labour chairman of the committee, Mr Ron Leighton, that the three controversial witnesses should be approached. Although relations seem to have been restored, there is no doubt that Mr Gorst had lost the confidence of his followers by the time he resigned. There is evidence that there was spontaneous combustion on their part. They did not need to be prompted to protest by the

#### Trend that needs to be resisted

Mr Gorst's allegation. He may have exaggerated, but the whips were at the very least taking an exceptionally keen interest in the affairs of the committee. It is all the easier to believe that they were trying to exert pressure because of the way in which they exercised their influence on Conservative members of the defence select committee in December to easure that Sir Humphrey Atkins became chairman of

It is a trend that needs to be credibility.

One has to be realistic.

Select committees are of particular interest to academic observers of Parliament, but they are not run by or for academics. They are often dealing, and they certainly ought to be dealing, with highly sensitive political issues. To expect the whips to regard their activities with a totally high-minded detachment would be looking for an unlikely degree

committees is not to be stilled, it is necessary to establish not only formal rules but clear nothing to do with the composition or the chairmanship of select committees. For them to extend their patronage into a system that is designed to scrutinize the operations of government would be a contradiction in terms.

#### Independence of private members

Some limitations have to be imposed on the right of a select committee to call witnesses. But governments should apply that power as rarely as possible, and the report is justifiably critical of the way in which it was exercised in this case. The peculiar quality of a select committee is that it has an exceptional opportunity to inform itself in depth on whatever area of government activity it decides to focus. For this purpose it needs so far as possible to be unfettered in

obtaining evidence.

It is bad enough if forms restrictions have to be applied openly, but it would be contrary to the whole spirit in which the present select committees were established if the members were to be dissuaded secretly by the whips from approaching wit-It is inevitable, though, that from time to time the whips will

try to prevent committee reports being too embarrassing. There can be no formal sageguards against the word in the ear that Such-and-such a conclusion would do excessive political damage. The only assurance against that can be the indepen-

# **Drive for transplant donors** as computer list grows

By Thomson Prentice, Medical Reporter

The numbers change almost every day, but yesterday there were 2.751 names in the computer. There are only two reasons for a name being erased; either a person has been given a life-saving organ transplant or has died waiting

The computer, at the UK Transplant Service head-quarters on the outskirts of Bristol, is a 24 hours a day link hospitals patients await transplants and hospitals where the organs

resented 2.729 people on the waiting list for a kidney transplant, including 53 children; 18 patients who need a new heart; three requiring new livers, and one who needs a combined heart-lung operation. The list has grown by 15 names in 24 hours, with 12 new kidney patients and three new

heart patients added. The list gets longer all the time, despite the erasures. There were 1,234 transplants last year, more than ever before. But 129 people died while still on the computer's file, and there are 293 more ago, and 511 more than in October, 1982. Medical advances make more people suitable for such operations,

a publicity campaign at the end of this mouth to encourage more people to carry organ donor cards and to persuade more next-of-kin to agree to the removal of organs from relatives who have died.



Mrs Elizabeth Ward: "Hor-Mrs Elizabeth Ward: "Hor- in cornea grafts, cautioned rified" by minister's attitude against introducing the system.

But in the Commons on Monday, Mr John Patten, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, resisted calls to introduce an but the supply of donor organs is lagging further behind. The Department of Health and Social Security will launch "opting out" system, in which people would have to register their unwillingness to have unwillingness to have their organs removed after

Mrs Elizabeth Ward, president of the British Kidney Patients Association, said yesterday that she was horrifled by Mr Patten's attitude. "Without any doubt, opting-out legislation must be introduced because so many patients are dying," she

> Mrs Ward, who was instrumental in having kidney donor cards introduced in 1971, has a son, aged 31, who has had two unsuccessful kidney transplants. A third operation has een carried out using a kidney donated by his father. Research by her association

> has shown that only 20 per cent of people who have donor cards carry them with them. Mr Thomas Casey, consultant surgeon specializing

# **New Golf** car bigger and quieter

The new replacement for the Europe's most successful small to medium hatchbacks, goes on sale in Britain next month (our Motoring ' writes).

The importers, VAG (UK) are predicting record sales of 33,000 in its first year, far above the record of 26,413 in 1981. In nine years, sales of the original Golf exceeded six million The new Golf is bigger, has a better ride, is more thrifty on petrol, has much better brakes,

requires servicing only once a year and is much quieter.

'Chorus' film

and Gordon Stulberg, president

of Polygram Pictures.

The basic Golf one litre will cost £4,597, £106 more than the old model and nearly £250 more than the equivalent Ford Escort. But the biggest increase comes on the popular Golf 1.6 GL which is £686 more than the Escort 1.6 GL

Sir Richard Attenborough is to direct the film A Chorus Line was announced yesterday by Raphael Etkes, president of production at Embassy Pictures



City celebration: Four special stamps on the theme of urban renewal which the Post Office is issuing on April 10 to mark the 150th anniversary of the Royal Institute of British Architects and the Chartered Institute of

# High speed to Brussels

One of Europe's crack inter- between London and the first time. The extended service Paris. will start in June (Michael Baily writes).

It will cut the journey time from London to Brussels to under five hours. For the first time it will be possible to travel by rail time 7 hours 31 minutes.

city expresses - the Saphir from Ostend to Brussels and Cologne a day. That journey now Ostend to Brussels and Cologne a day. That journey now is to run from London for the involves a night's stopover in The London to Cologne

Saphir will leave Victoria at 8.15 am. arriving in Brussels at 2.07 pm (1.07 London time) a journey of 4 hours 52 minutes. and in Cologne at 4.46 (journey

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#### Neutral Austria: Part 1, the economy

# Exploiting a chink in the Curtain

singned in 1955 by Russia, France, Britain and America, insists that Austria remains outside Nato and the Warsaw Pact, This was often exploited by former Chancellor Dreisky to dopt controversial stances on

auopt controversiai stances on international issues. While abandoning this aspect of Dr Kreisky's much-vaunted "active neutrality", the Socialist Liberal coalition, elected last April, has continued to obtain economic educations for his bridge build. advantage from his bridge build-ing activities. In this first of two articles Richard Bassett, Vienna correspondent, examines the way Austria's neutrality affects its trade relations with East and West.

According to Herr Norbert Steger, the Liberal Vice-Chancellor and minister responsible for foreign trade, neutrality means treating all countries correctly

For this reason, Austria, although a member of the European Free Trade Associations, cannot join Comecon of the EEC, but its neutrality and geographical position offer several trading advantages which partly offset this isolation.

Situated at the heart of Europe, linked to the Balkans and Eastern Europe by centuries of shared history, Austria, unlike Switzerland, is far more flexibly disposed – to coin a favoutire Government phrase – towards the East. The roads and railways, which linked Vienna with Prague and Cracow when they were all part of the Habsburg Empire, remain. The Danube, winding down from Vienna to Budapest, Belgrade and Bucharest, transported last year no less than 7.6 million tons of cargo (400,000 tons of which was Russian).

Since the bilateral abolition of visa requirements in 1979, Austria and Hungary have enjoyed a special relationship,



ia's leaders, from left: Dr Alois Mock, opposition Peoples' Party; Dr Norbert Steger, Vice-Chancellor, Dr Fred Sinowatz, Chancellor, and Dr Bruno Kreisky, former Chancellor.

bond. Austrian credit built Budapest's first casino; Austrian banks funded most of the new luxury hotels.

Nor is this interest limited to immediate Eastern neighbours. In return for oil and gas from ussia, the engineering firm of Voest Alpin supplied the technical know-how to construct Russian pipelines. Recently, plans were even discussed for Russia to bury Austrian nuclear

Although these good relations might suggest economic depen-dence on the East, Austria's foreign trade with Comecon for 1983 was only 12 per cent of the total norm of the 1970's.
Some would argue that even

this figure is low for a neutral country which is at pains to point out that, unlike the EEC it has no list of countries with whom it is forbidden to deal. The reasons why Austria's trade, despite strong cultural ties with Central Europe, is so strongly orientated towards the West are not easily understood by its Eastern neighbours. Since 1918, when the Hab-

sburg Empire collapsed, foreign trade has been dominated by Germany. Common language, if not the same mentality, has built up west Germany-Austrian links to a position of Anschluss impregnability.

Austrians refute any suggestion that they are too dependent. As Chancellor Sinowatz has repeatedly said: "Austria is Western democracy committed to the principals and beliefs this implies.

This ideological commitment to the West is reinforced by the economic realities of dealing with Comecon. Any substantial increase in exports to the Eastern block automatically runs up the amount of credit the Austrians give.

For Herr Steger, valuable though trade with the East is, long-term economic stability can only be secured by develop-ing relations with the EEC. While he will not compromise neutrality, the Trade Minister will soon visit Brussels to discuss closer contacts with the

Communmity. Herr Steger also feels that Austria should develop its links with the Third World. Only 20 per cent of Austria's trade is outside Europe, the Minister is convinced it could be im-

Ironically, neutrality actually works against trade with several developing countries because the respected arms industry is forbidden by law to supply weapons to belligerent coun-

tries.
While Herr Steger is con-vinced of the need to expand

horizons, the Conservative Peoples Party, Dr Alois Mock, has pointed out that Austria can improve its balance of payments deficit - 71 billion developing its role in the field of barter trade between East and

practice, involving scores of cashless exchanges over telephones, the Astrains are sought after by Western firms seeking to market goods behind the Iron

Curtain. Geography and have also made Austria an inportant centre.

Washington is also known to be worried about export li-cences being granted for high-technology equipment going East. But Herr Steger dismisses it as an American misunderstanding of the "correct treatment" Austria's neutrality im-plies in its trading.

For all his country's Western orientation, the Trade Minister considers ansit problems and the granting of export Licences an internal affair, which only Austria can decide. It is this, rather than the acual balance of trade, which expresses most persuasively for Austria's neighbours its commitment to neutrality.

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#### S African police evict black villagers

From Michael Hornsby

Police sealed off this 73-year-old black village yesterday as they moved in to evict the remaining inhabitants, mem-bers of the Tswana-speaking Bakwena tribe, who have been resisting resottlement some 60 miles away on land due to become part of an African tribal reserve.

tribal reserve.

Lorries piled high with household goods and furniture left at regular intervals for Packsdrazi, the resettlement area which is soon to be incorporated into Bophuthatswana, the tribal "homeland" of the Tswanas, which is regarded as an independent state by Pretorica.

Mogopa, in the vocabulary of land purchased freehold by blacks outside the reserves before such transactions were banned by the Land Act of 1913. It is the South African Government's policy to eliminate these in pursuit of territorial separation of the races. A police camp guarded the single dusty road into the village.

Major Alfonso Scheepers, the officer in charge, told journalists and photographers that they could not enter the area without a permit from the magistrate at the nearby white town of Ventersdorp. The magistrate said he was unable to issue any

According to Major Scheep-ers, 27 families were moved on Tuesday and he expected that the remaining 80 families would have gone by today. The Biack Sash, an organization run mainly by white women which espouses black rights, says the number is much higher than the

Major Scheepers and Government officials insisted yesterday that no force whatever was being used to move the villagers, who were leaving "of their own second". However, the their own accord". However, the villagers who managed to slip through the police cordon to speak to journalists told a different story.

Mr Abraham Mabidikane told me that he had seen Mr

told me that he had been in Isaac More, the village head-man, and Mr George Rampho, the organizer of the resistance committee, handcuffed by police and taken away in vans.

A schoolteacher, Mr Alfred Pooe, added: "Our village is getting demolished by force.
They are hitting some of us when they come to our houses.
Whether you want it or not, you are forced to go."
The villege has been under

The village has been under pressure from the Government to move for some years. In the middle of 1983 a section of the community, of disputed size, moved to Pachsdraai. The moved to Pachsdran. Ine
Government maintains that
those who stayed behind did so
only because of a quarrel
among the tribal elders.
However, the villagers
showed their determination to

stay on their land by rebuilding one of two schools destroyed by Government demolition squads after last year's removals.

The villagers also took legal action, petitioning the Chief Justice for an Appeal Court hearing on the validity of an eviction order, their application



Tender touch: The Pope comforting a tearful baby at his weekly general audience in the

# Salvadorean Army says it is winning

The Chief of Staff of the has been suggested, to avoid an Salvadorean armed forces said army collapse, but to end the on Tuesday that the Army, with the support of the civilian population, was "definitely winning" the four-year war against left-wing rebels.

In his first news conference, Colonel Adolfo Blandon said without providing figures - that in the last two months the guerrillas had "considerable casulaties" and ther had been a great increase in desertions.

Recent operations in disputed parts of the country demonstrated the Army's cap-acity "to enter any region of El Salvador at any time and to remain there as long as it wants", Colonel Blandon said. I see no reason therefore to doubt we will win the war", El Salvador's forces are 37,000

The colonel, said a massive turn-out in presidential elec-tions sue on March 25 would show that the Army has the support of the people. "We can't lose the war if we have the support of the civilian popu-lation". He later admitted that voting in El Salvador is compulsory. Colonel Blandon tried to

check speculation that there might be a military coup if the elections are won by a party not to the Army's liking, such as the Christian Democrats, considered "communists" by many

traditional right-wingers.

The army will show total respect for the victors of the elections, for the sovereign will of the people". The colonel said the Army would not be voting in the elections, despite its constitutional right, in order to avert divisions which could

namper progress in the war. Despite Colonel Blandon's apparent buoyancy, President Reagan recently recommended a big increase in military aid to El Salvador. Colonel Blandón said this would be used not, as

servers here said on Monday that 10 American-supplied Huey helicopters would be arriving in El Salvador to boost the force of 21. Colonel Blandon denied, a little hesitantly, that the Army would lose the war without

war once and for all.

The aid would be concen-

trated on the Army's transport

and communications.

American aid, adding that his soldiers, from the highest to lowest ranks, would "never abandon the courageous, democracy-loving people of El Salvador. How can we abandon a people who trust us and place such hope in us." On human rights violations in El Salvador, which human

rights groups believe are committed chiefly by members of the armed forces, Colonel Blandin said that "a considerable number" of people had been detained and investigations were under way. The dispatch of two officers

to government posts outside the country offer the only indiction that the military, pressed by Washington, have attempted a Reporters who have been to

the scenes of military operations in the last week saw evidence of guerrilla evacuations but virtually none of guerfilla casualties or arms allegedly captured by the Army.

Peasants driven out: Hundreds of thousands of Indian peasants driven from their mountain homelands by

Guatemala's guerrilla war may never be able to return to their traditional (AP reports). They are living in Army-run camps and villages, trying to blend into cities far from their village homes or holding out

under severe conditions in the

#### **Boycott of** poll begins in Manila

From Keith Dalton Manila

a noisy midnight vigil. 5,000 anti-government demonstrators yesterday launched a militant boycott of May's parliamentary elections, the first since martial law was lifted in the Philippines three years

ago. The demonstrators gathered at a city park for a seven-hour countdown to midnight, the symbolic deadline the opposition had earlier given Presi-dent Marcos to agree to six political and electoral reforms, or risk a boycott of the nationwide poll.

Five, four, three, two, one. We're going to boycott. Happy boycott," Mr Aquino, the younger brother of the slain opposition leader, Benigno Aquino, heads a number of protest groups which sprang up after his brother's death last

August.
"I am calling on my country-men to take part in a militant, active, vigorous boycott in May-We will have no elections," Mr Aquino said, amid chants of boycott, boycott"

Mr Aquino said President Marcos had ignored their predictions "which only sought to ensure free, honest and orderly elections". They had no option but to boycott the poll. But the 12-party United Nationalist Democratic Organizatiion, also a signatory to the appeal, deferred its decision on

whether to contest the election. • Eye trouble: Mrs Imeida Marcos, the wife of the President, left for the United States yesterday for urgent eye treat-ment, the Presidential palace said (Reuter reports).

"She in danger of losing her eyesight," a spokesman quoted her doctors as saying. He would not say what the trouble was, or how long she would be away. but informed sources said she was suffering from Glaucoma.

# Moscow meeting cements Honecker and Kohl's new friendship

From Michael Binyon, Boun

When Chancellor Kohl was When Chancellor Kohl was showing journalists round his private office a few weeksago, he pointed to a grey telephone in the corner. "That"; he said, "is the most important of all telephones here. It's the direct line to Honerker."

line to Honecker."
Herr Kohl has used it on several occasions to discuss problems directly with the East German leader, but until Monday he had never met him face to face. Their first encounter, in Moscow on the eve of President Andropov's funeral, surpassed the expectations of

The West Germans were said to have been so satisfied that cooperation and realism. Herr Kohl spontaneously invited Herr Honecker to dinner.

Indeed the development of note of caution. In East and vited Herr Honecker to dinner.

Indeed the development of note of caution. In East and Inner-German relations, despite West, there is suspicion that agency also described the the worsening international meeting positively. Herr climate, has been one of the quickly and could get out of Honecker said it was excellent most solid achievements of harmony with overall East-West and Herr Kohl spoke to him again on the telephone the next

a particularly opportune and that the results of 10 years moment, for it enabled the of patient diplomacy are only Chancellor to respond to the positive signals, which have been coming across the luner-to remove some of the irritations. It has begun to distance the automatic firing German border, without getting bogged down in protocol and status questions,

Moscow wanted another stick to try to stop German deployment of Nato missiles.

Embassy and the West German mission in East Berlin to leave the country, and recently

Another date was not fixed, pranted permission to almost nor was this easy after Herr Honecker's threats of new "ice West, age" in bilateral relations as a lin return, Bonn has supresult of deployment. The threat

has repeatedly called in recent Bonn may soon be ready to weeks for closer relations, the consider another East German request for credit facilities.

The German states to take the lead applauded these successes and applauded the processes and applauded th in replacing confrontation with

Chancellor Kohl's Government relations. (although his opponents mainmorning.

The Moscow meeting came at groundwork was already laid, and that the results of 10 years only

tatus questions.

Herr Honecker was due here devices along the border, reached swift agreement on the last spring, but cancelled his transfer to Western control of aspects of cooperation and visit after a dispute over the death of a West German on the border – and probably because who sought refuge in the US

West.
In return, Bonn has supported, with Federal guarantees, - to Bonn's relef - never materialized, but it has made further gestures by East Berlin difficult.

The threat pointed, with reutral guarantees, an agreement, revealed last week, of enormous economic and prestige value to East Berlin the building under the CDP. Nevertheless, Herr Honecker Volkswagen cars in the GDR

> welcomed the unexpected dethings are developing a little 100

Herr Kohl defends his policies resolutely. Yesterday he told a gathering of senior Bundeswehr officers in Trave-munde, after returning from Moscow, that progress would be made in arms control only if East-West relations were better. For this reason, his government wanted to put East-West

dialogue on a firm basis, which would include all different negotiation, without being limited simply to the question of

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#### Karen rebel base falls to Burmese troops

From Neil Kelly Bangkok

Burmese forces have captured another important Karen rebel base on the Thai border 250 miles north-west of Bangkok. A spokesman for the Karen National union said yesterday that its guerrillas had been forced out of Klerday, a horder transheld expection. The border stronghold opposite Tha Song Yang district of the thai province. Tak.

After destroying much of the town with artillery and mortars, Burmese infantry moved in. They outnumbered the Karens by five to one. Rebels casualties were heavy according to that

Klerday is the third big rebel base to fall in the past three weeks. The ultimate objective of the government is the most important rebel base at Maw Pokay to the south, it has been described as the heart of the rebel economic lifeline and is the keypoint for military supplies, the centre of their trade and site of their radio station.

The Government offensive against the rebels is the most sustained since the Karens began fighting for autonomy more than 30 years ago.

The fighting has forced more than 10,000 civilains refugees into Thailand. Thai authorities say most of them fled empty-handed and are very short of food, clothing and medicines.



Brussels meeting: President Mitterrand of France (left) with King Bandouin at Laeken palace yesterday. The President was in Belgium to prepare for next month's European · Community summit.

### US thinks again on quitting Unesco

From Diana Geddes, Paris

Hopes rose yesterday that the United States may recon-sider its decision to leave of America's "firm, but not final, decision" on giving up membership. Unesco at the end of the year. He indicated that Washing-

ton might be willing to re-examine the decision if certain Mr Gregory Newell, Assistant Secretary of State, speaking at a press conference in "notional changes" were ag-Paris after meeting Mr Amareed, such as greater budget control, and the "re-routing" of dou M'Bow, director of Unesco. spoke for the first time in trms funds away from such controversial programmes as edu-cation for peace

Mr Newell said he knew of between seven and ten other countries reconsidering their decision to stay in Unesco, but declined to name them. If only four or five more decided to leave, the organization would

Grenada to seek aid package for airport

From Mohsin Ali
Washington
Grenada is to seek \$150m
(£100m) in international aid to
complete the Island's airport and carry out other develop-

ment projects.
"We will be presenting a twoyear economic development package in the region of \$150m" Mr Nicholas Brathwaite, the leader of Grenada's interim Government, told a meeting of the Caribbean Group for Cooperation and Economic Development spon-sored by the World Bank here

on Tuesday.

Mr Brathwaite said the Grenada proposal included \$24m to complete its 10,000ft airport, which was being built by Cuba before the US-led

invasion last October.

President Reagan had claimed that the airport, for which Grenada had already paid \$40m, would have been used by Cuba and the Soviet Union for military purposes and constituted a threat to US security interests. But the Cuban-backed Government of the late Maurice Bishop had maintained that the airport was exclusively for commercial purposes and to increase tour-

Mr Brathwaite said he had emphasized the need to complete the airport to Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, who attended Independence Day celebrations in Grenada last week. Mr Shultz favours completion of

# Thatcher lays down détente guidelines

conversion or short-term tactiadvice from inside and outside Africa. the Government

As the Prime Minister exaim is to find a middle way
plained in Moscow, arms
between the optimiste concontrol was getting nowhere and
cessionary approach of the contacts between East and West had become so limited that "the risk of misunderstanding was grave". It was felt that the time had come for a new and deeper look at the subject.

As government sources put it, we have had more than 60 years of trying to deal with the Soviet Union, with its mixture of military muscle, revolutioary ideology, relative economic selfsufficiency, inefficiency, insecurity and autocratic rule, but the problem of restraining the behaviour which this mixture produces has grown over the past 20 years as the Soviet Union has become able to extend its reach around the

The result of the study was a set of broad guidelines for policy over the next few years. It is felt that there should be West is willing to deal on the more contacts with the Soviet basis of equality of respect, leadership to reduce the risk of rather than striving for superimisunderstanding and miscal-culation. Hence further high-must accept that change in level meetings will follow. Arms consistency in Western policy is control is seen as too narrow a essential.

Mrs Thatcher's burgeoning, fld to carry the whole burden of interest in East-West relations is not the result of a sudden need for broader understandings, provide a better context cal considerations. It derives for arms control. There should from a very thorough Govern- also be more regular contacts on ment study of all aspects of regional issues, such as the East-West relations drawing on Middle East and Southern

> On economic relations, the cessionary approach of the 1970's and the punitive policies advocated by some people in Washington.

The tide of Soviet successes in the Third World is seen as less durable than was once expected. The Soviet Union cannnot supply what developing countries need in the way of aid and trade.

In East Europe the aim is to respect legitimate Soviet security interests while championing the right of self-determination. In practice, the policy will be to continue differentiating among East European conutries, developing policies with each as individual nations rather than simply as satellites of the Soviet Union.

Overall the aim is to persuade the Soviet Union that the

### **EEC** cash for jobless in jeopardy

From Ian Murray

Money earmarked by the EEC for easing unemployment and helping depressed regions may have to be diverted to pay farmers, Mr Gaston Thorn warned the European Parliament in Strasbourg yesterday.

in his most apocalyptic speed so far the President of the Commission told members this could be one of the immediate consequences if the European summit next month fails to break the deadlock on reforms essential to save the Community for bankruptcy and collapse.

His speech brought abuse from all sides of the house. The "brother enemies" - as Mr Thorn called them - of British Conservatives and Italian Communists tried to outdo each other in invective.
"What has the Commission

done?" asked Sir James Scot-Hopkins. "Nothing except mouned and whinged gently. saving that it is all the council's fault. It just won't do." Signor Guide Fanti told Mr

"The Community is finished. We cannot go on like this. We either have to make a fresh start or resign ourselves to playing a passive role."

During the day Mr Thorn and his Commission put the

finishing touches to a tough set of new rules for controlling EEC spending which they want the European summit to approve next month.

These rules are to be studied by foreign ministers at an informal meeting in Paris this weekend, when the Commission is expected to put forward a review of the sterile argument how to solve the

British EEC budget problem. Mr Thorn said yesterday there was no point in trying to find another short-term solution for Britain's case was warmly welcomed by a British Government spokesman.

#### Howls of rage over wolf cull

From John Best Ottawa

An angry dispute has erupted ver a British Columbia government programme to kill between 400 and 500 wolves by shooting them from belicopters.

The dispute pits the Government against conservation groups and animal lovers in anada'a most westerly province. It has spread in a small way to the United States and European countries. where Canadian consulates have been picketed by demon strators protesting at the slaugh

The cull is taking place in the remote Muskwa River region of north-eastern British Columbia. The provincial Government through its Environment Minis try, has budgeted C\$30,000 (£17,000) for the operation, which it insists is necessary to control the wolf population and reduce the enormous toll of moose, elk, caribou and other big game taken by wolves.

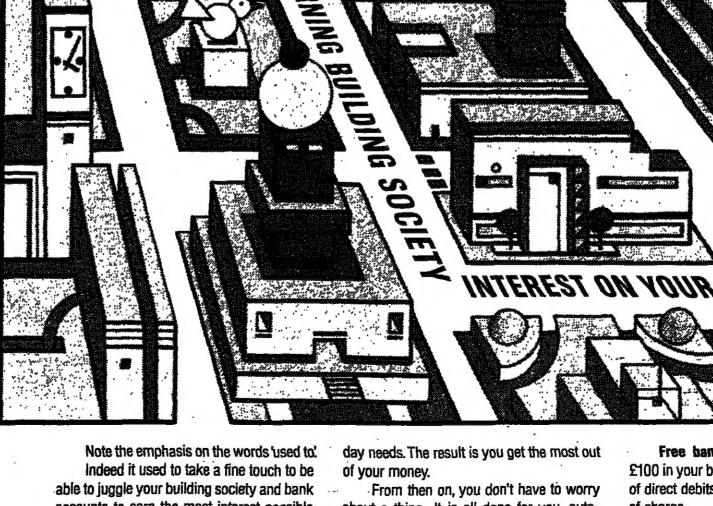
Opponents of the cull contend that it is really being carried out for the benefit of hunters who want the big-game herds protected for their ow sport. They also say, in defence of the wolf, that he kills only sick or aged animals.

On the other hand some biologists hold that wolves often kill game just for the fun of the chase.

Opposition to the cull is

spearheaded by an international

group which calls itself Project Wolf and is headed by the Sea Shepherd Society of Vancouver. The President of the Sea Shepherd Society, Mr Paul Watson, is best known as a relentless opponent of Canada's annual, east-coast seal hunt. At present he is appealing against a 15-month jail sentence and C\$5,000 fine imposed on him for unlawful attempts to disrupt last year's seal bunt.



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# Tory Euro-MPs divided over plan to merge with right-wing block

Britain's 60-strong group of if they were integrated into one Conservative Euro-MPs has of the transnational political been discussing whether they should join the Liberal or Christian Democratic groups in the European Parliament after the elections in June.

The idea has apparently been raised by leaders of the group with the party chairman, Mr John Selwyn Gummer, who has in turn mentioned it to Mrs Margaret Thatcher.

The fact that it has met with considerable disfavour has been obvious in Strasbourg this week with MEPs and group officials issuing caterogial denials that elected British conservatives would ever six among MEPs from other nations.

Anybody who went into the election campaign saying that would be committing political one of the group said

The matter was, however, aired during a private meeting in Strasbourg earlier this month Conservative MEPs and 200 of the pary agents, who were preparing for the election

It was agreed then that all the candidates must campaign as Conservatives if they were to be credible in the elections. This

The Liberal group, which may well be led by Mme Simone Veil of France after the May believe privately that elections, is already considering over the past four and a half changing its name. European years the massive 60-strong Liberals are politically well to block of Conservative members the right of their British namesakes, and the group does has been an embarrassing and unwieldy power base.
For much of the period in fact sit on the right of the

The right sort of name change

could help some of the more

federally minded Conservatives

to make such a jump.

In all 24 members of the group who believe in the need for a greater European union

voted on Tuesday to support a

project calling for greater powers for the Parliament in an

MADRID: Spanish officials

and fishing industry sources

expressed varying degrees of satisfaction here yesterday over the latest fisheries quota agree-

ment reached with the Euro-

pean community in Brussels on

The Minister of Agriculture,

Señor Carlos Romero, said the deal, which will allow Spain to catch 7,900 tons of hake and

21,620 tons of other types of fish, "is a reasonable one, bearing in mind that we

managed to keep the maximum

limit of the catch very close to

(Harry Debelius

increasingly federal Europe.

Britain has been at odds with the Community over the budget question and the Conservative group has often been whipped to vote together against policies which many of the more European-minded members

wanted to support.
This block voting feel, has built up resentment against Britain and made it more difficult to obtain a fair hearing of the case for budget reform. The Parliament at the moment is still blocking payment of a £457m rebate due to Britain some feel this is partly being done out of spite.

Although about 15 members say they cannot think of joining any other group, discreet over-tures have been made unofficially in recent months to both the Liberals and the Christian Democrats about some form of merger after the elections.

There would be no objections political reality has not, how- at all to other groups joining the ever, ended the argument. Conservative group which alamong the many members who ready includes two Danes in the believe they could be much European Democratic group in more effective in the Parliament Strasbourg.

Montonero exile arrested in Brazil Rio de Janeiro (NYT) - The

eader of Argentina's Monto-Mario Eduardo Firmenich, has been arrested here at the request

of Argentina.

Señor Firmenich and a top side, Señor Fernando Vacha Narvaja, who have been living outside Arentina since about 1977, were detained by federal police in an appartment. They claimed to have entered Brazil egally last November and to have temporary residence pap-

Their arrest came hours after Brazilian newspapers revealed their whereabouts. Argentina told Brazil it would ask for their extradition on charges of homi-cide, illicit association and offences against public order,

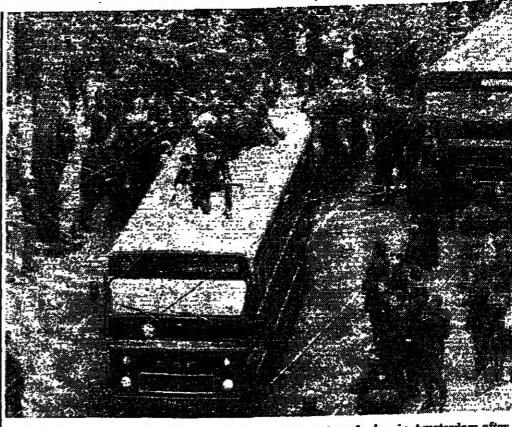
The Montoneros organiza-tion was gradually dismantled after the Argentine Army seized power in 1976. Many Montoneros went into exile.

After Señor Raul Alfonsin
was inaugurated as President in

December, returning Argentina to civilian rule, many former Montoneros sought to go home. Diplomats said Seor Firmenich's extradition would give additional force Señor Alfonsin's promise to bring to justice both left-wing guerrillas and senior military officers responsible for extreme violence Señor Firmenich's third child

was born in Rio last month. His

lawyer said on Tuesday that parents of Brazilian citizens were immune from extradition.



Raising the roof: Squatters evicted by police sitting on top of a bus in Amsterdam after climbing through an emergency exit. They had been ejected from a housing complex.

# Turkey asked to explain prison deaths

Persistent allegations of tor-

ture at a military prison in eastern Turkey have provoked a call by Amnesty International to General Needet Urug, Chief of the Turkish General Staff, for a full explanation of the reported deaths in January of seven inmates at the Dyarbakir

Two of the deaths have been

egate by the military at Diyar-bakir, who said that one man committed suicide while the other had died of a brain tumour. In the past six months there have been two hunger strikes at the remote prison over alleged mistreatment of pris-

General Urug today, Amnesty asks for the bodies of the dead

permitted to arrange independent post-mortems to establish the cause of death. Families of three of the dead

have been told that the bodies are "not available for burial" Amnesty said.

at Diyarbakir,

Frequent complaints of tor-

# IRA man

New York (Reuter) - A convicted Irish Republican Army bomb maker who fled to the United States only to be jailed for violating immigration laws has been chosen as honorary Grand Marshal of New York's St. Partials's Pro-

chosen last night by delegates of the estimated 120 organizations connected with the par-ade, who stood as one when asked to endorse the move.

Mr Thomas Gleason, an 83-year-old trade union leader was elected Grand Marshal. He is considered a moderate

Mr Martin Galvin, be

But Mr O'Rourke will not be

mittee (Noraid) who nominated Mr O'Rourke, said the del-

New York's St Patrick's Day parade. Michael O'Rourke was

allowed to attend the Marck 17 parade up Manhattan's Fifth Avenue. He will be several miles away in prison where he has spent the last four-and-a-half years

# **New York** honour for

egates' rousing approval was "a message to Britain that the Irish in New York will not allow its despotism to go on."

#### spokesman said that Señor Illueca would remain President of the U.N. General Assembly and devied a report that he had decided to step down. BOGOTA: Colombian M19 Guerrillas took over the offices of the Associated Press news agency yesterday, to send a message to Panama, demanding

that its Government hand over the body of the group's former chief, Jaime Bateman, who died in a plane crash in Panama last

Panama

leader

'forced

to quit'

Panama (Reuter) - Señor

Ricardo de la Esprielia, who resigned as President of Panama

on Monday, was obliged to so by the National Guard because he opposed official manipu-

lation of the presidential elec-

tions scheduled for May 6, an

opposition leader said yester.

Señor Guillermo Cochez

vice-president of the Christian

Democratic Party, said that the ruling Democratic Revolutionary Party (PRD), which is closely linked to the National

Guard, planned "to set up an

electoral machine using the

state's resources in open viol-

The decision to oust Senor de

la Espriella was promoted by an

announcement over the week-

end by the country's two main

opposition parties to Señor Araulfo Arias, an former President, as presidential candidate, according to both Señor Cóchez and diplomatic sources, Señor Arias, who was elected President three times and

President three times and

removed each time in National

Guard-backed coups, is a charismatic figure with a strong

popular following.
Political sources said that the

PRD had formed an alliance

with three other parties and

chosen Señor Nicolás Barletta as its presidential candidate, Señor Barletta was Planning Minister under the late General

Omar Torrijos, who was President until 1978 and Commander of the National Guard until his death in 1981.

Sources said that Señor de la

Espriella disagreed with the PRD strategy. The National Guard has denied that it favours Señor Barletta's

Señor de la Espriella gave no reason for his resignation. He was immediately succeeded by the Vice-President, Señor Jorge

Illueca, who is also President of the UN General Assembly. He confirmed that the first general election for 15 years would take

The presidential spokesman

confirmed that the Finance Minister, Senor Gabriel Castro, the Health Minister, Senor Gaspar Garcia de Paredes, and

the Minister of the Presidency.

Señor Mario de Diego, had also

At the United Nations a

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ation of the law".

#### Nkomo accuses army of Matabeleland atrocities

From Stephen Taylor, Harare

Mr Joshua Nkomo, leader of Zimbabwe's opposition Zapu party, has accused the security forces of committing atrocities in the province of Matabeleland

South, which was put under curfew 12 days ago.

In a highly charged debate, Mr Nkomo told Parliament on Tuesday that soldiers had rounded up six men and accused them of failing to report the presence of anti-government guerrillas. They were beaten and buried in two shallow graves.

The Zapu leader, who spent six mouth in exile in Britain last year after alleging that hundreds of civilians had been slaughtered by the Army in Matabeleland North, said troops were preventing food getting into the curfew area and that several children had died.

No private traffic is being allowed into the area, which came under curiew after what the Government said was an upsurge in dissident activity last

Government speakers dis-missed Mr Nkomo's allegations, saying he was trying to under-mine the morale of the armed forces and using Parliament to dissidents.

Earlier this week Mr Simbi Mubako, the Minister of Home Affairs, said the curfew restrictions had had an immediate effect in reducing guerrilla activity. Efforts were being made to ensure that civilians did not suffer unduly.

The low-level insurgency in Matabeleland started two years ago after Mr Nkomo's dismissal from a coalition cabinet

Since then, marauding bands have attacked police and security force units and killed hundreds of people, including 38 farmers.

Mr Nkomo's allegations a year ago that Ndebele peasants were being slaughtered by the Army were echoed by church and voluntary organizations in Matabeleland.

#### Sikhs kill policeman in Punjab

From Kuldip Nayar Delhi

A Hindu policeman was shot dead by two armed Sikhs near Amritsar yesterday as the violence, which engulfed Pun-jab on Tuesdsay, abated. Mrs Indira Gandhi, Prime Minister, discussed the situation in the state, now con-trolled from Delhi, with her Cabinet colleagues.

Violence also spilled over to Punjab's neighbouring Hindumajority state of Haryana Police fired teargas and resorted to lathi charges to disperse a Hindu crowd when it clashed with a few Sikhs.

The biggest casualty has been the indefinite postponement of tripartite talks between the Akalis, opposition parties and the Government which should have started here on Tuesday. The Akali leader, Mr Balwant Singh, said the talks had been put off because of the situation in Punjab.
Six Punjab towns - Juliun-

dur, Amritsar, Ludhiana, Patiala Ferozepur and Khanna - are still under a curfew

# Seoul seeks summit with North

Seoul (Renter) - South Korea has called for the reopening of dialogue with the North, but diplomats said to was too early to expect

was too early to expect a breakthrough.
Seoul wants a summit between North and South, said the discussions could later, be expanded to include the United States, China, the Soviet Union and Japan.
South Korea's initiative came in a letter from the Prime.
Minister, Mr. Chin Lee Chone.

Minister, Mr Chia Ice Chorn, handed to North Korett officials at the border village of

Panumjom on Tuesday
Addressed to the newly
appointed North Korean Prime
Minister, Mr Kang Sung Sen
the letter responded to a North
Korean proposal last month
calling for tripartite peace talka between the United States and the two Koreas.

Although the Scoul message contained nothing dramatically new, Western diplomats said it was milder in tone that recent declarations about the North

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# Chronicler of America's extremities

Every country has its own select murders, which strike a chord and reflect the society in a way that makes them stand out from the bulk of crimes. In America, the Dorothy Stratten case was one such, a beautiful young Playboy Playmate of the Year shot by her husband, who then committed suicide. The director-choreographer Bob Fosse, best beauty for movie musicale like known for movie musicals like Cubaret and All That Ja== has made a powerful, disturbing film of the case called Star 80 (after the letters on the licence plate of Stratten's Mercedes), which opens in London tomorrow.

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Neither a thriller nor a documentary. Fosse's film is a character study of Paul Snider, Stratten's husband, discoverer and ultimately murderer. small-timer hustler who saw Stratten as his ticket to fame and fortune and the magic "inner circle" of Hollywood celebrities. "I've seen so many Spiders in my years in show business", says Fosse, "people who bought the media's idea of Hollywood - wear the right clothes, the right tic, say 'hello' in the right places, know the right people and get into that inner circle, that little select group, and the gates of heaven will open and you'll be a success. Nor is it just true of Hollywood, it goes right through American society, down to the guy in Idaho who thinks if he could just get into the local country club his troubles would be over."

As played by Eric Roberts, Snider emerges not as a sympathetic character but as an understandable one. Fosse, Roberts and Mariel Hemingway (who plays Stratten) all believe he loved his wife - "As much as he could allow himself to care for any woman. His main love was himself. Yet I think in his own way he did care for her. When I say this to people they can't understand how he could love her and yet gain from her

No matter how many new hit

musicals and comedies it might

boast, Broadway never feels

quite legitimate unless there is

also at least one critically and

commercially successful drama.

More brilliantly than any burst

of fireworks. Tom Stoppard's

The Real Thing (Plymouth Theatre) began 1984 by so

overflowing that gap that it may

be around for several new years.

Virtually every commentator

who has viewed both the

London and Broadway pro-

ductions has declared the latter

superior. Not only has Mr Stoppard tightened and pol-

isned until everything out if

subplot about Annie's silly,

shines and cast light upon the

other aspects of the play, but the

designer Tony Walton has

accelerated its pace by replacing

the cumbersome London screens and projections with

automated sets which move the

action almost as fast as Mr

Stoppard's imagination. Mike

Nichols has directed with as

much brio, and the only complaint is that lines go by so

quickly that there is no time to

savour, much less absorb, them.

Even that has its advantages,

however, for it leaves the

impression that there is so

much more to be had from the

play that you simply must read

it or, if you can get a ticket, see

it again.
Those who have viewed both

productions generally contend

that Jeremy Irons as Stoppard's protagonist in New York is better than Roger Rees in

London because Irons is more

vulnerable and because there is

more sexual chemistry in his

relationship with Annie (played

here by Glenn Close with that

"I'm available - maybe - and

I'm good" air which entices

men and infuriates women who

stand for Roger Rees. Jeremy

Irons is indeed sympathetic in

his outery when Annie goes to

her lover, and shows himself an

lightweight and Rees a middle-

weight actor of greater range

and depth. To me, Roger Rees

Since we seem to be voting. I

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their managers.

Fosse's own involvement with the Dorothy Stratten story came when his close friend, the late writer Paddy Chayevsky, gave him an article about the case from a New York newspaper. "I read it and I thought, this is a vein I understand, the cheap honky-tonks Snider comes from." Before he broke through with his award-winning choreography for The Pyjama Game on Broadway, Fosse spent many years as a performer in the small clubs and vaudeville joints that dotted American cities.

Nevertheless, there were obstacles to filming a real-life story. Besides Snider, there were two men in Stratten's brief life, Hugh Hefner, owner and editor of Playboy, was her mentor and father-figure. Peter Bogdanovich directed her in her only important film. They all Laughed. During the filming Bogdanovich and Stratten fell in love. She moved in with him and had gone to see her husband to discuss a divorce when she was murdered.

"I wanted to use the Playboy logo because if I did a fictitious thing it wouldn't have had the impact", says Fosse. "So Hugh [Hefner] read the script before we filmed it and said: 'I wish you wouldn't make this, but I'll go along with you so far - we'll give you the logo and allow you to take photographs in the *Playboy* mansion so you can duplicate it. And he invited me to one Playboy party. After the film was finished, he saw it and telephoned me. He didn't like it at all. He said: 'It's not true, but it's artful'. He didn't approve of the way mocked the Playboy philosophy. but the serious thing he found fault with was the equation of sex and violence, which his magazine has always been against. I thought it was pretty good of him still to talk to me after he didn't like the film."

Jeremy Irons: vulnerable and sympathetic

Anthony Hopkins in the Roundabout Theatre Com-

pany's revival of Pinter's Old

Times. He brings so many

dimensions to bis character that

he suggests what his next performance should be: the

Cauchon-Warwick scene from

Saint Joan, with Mr Hopkins

playing both roles. As his wife, Marsha Mason creates an inner

life that could teach a sphinx

lessons in mystery and allure,

and Jane Alexander is a resolute

The Manhattan Theatre Club

started the year auspiciously with Lee Kalcheim's Friends,

about the reunion of two Yale

room-mates (Craig T. Nelson

and Ron Silver, an appealingly

contrasting duo). Their dissatis-

ness, but their camaraderie is

never more amusingly than

when they taste cheap wine left

by dinner guests and make

bigraphical incarnation forms a

poignant theme in three one-act

plays being shown as A Private View at the Public Theater. As,

teem they have lost by co-oper-

ating with the Czech Commu-nist regime, the Havel character

finds more pity than contempt

for them and behaves like

Christ with a sense of irony. In

an exceptionally difficult role,

because it is mostly reacting. Stephen Keep as the Havel

figure leads a fine cast directed

A possible Broadway transfer from the Public is a musical version of William Saroyan's

novel The Human Comedy,

with music by Hair's composer,

Galt MacDermot. Though the

second act flags somewhat through too much telescoping of

action and too many reprises

(both mendable flaws), the show

has championship qualities.

Galt MacDermot has master-

fully arranged his music, which

ranges from gospel to ballad to

jitterbug (the setting is a small

town during the Second World

War) and which thrives on

internal rhyming.

by the actress Lee Grant.

Theatre in New York

Stoppard still accelerating

off Mr Stoppard's lines and Henry's plays. Because he had

that stature, his personal pain

was more harrowing (watered-

down Aristotle on the tragic

hero here) and his ascent to self-

In the heavyweight division,

we have Ian McKellen Acting

Shakespeare (Ritz Theatre), in

which the actor exceeds his

stated aim of keeping the Bard's

spirit alive. We revere great

playwrights, but I believe we

Agamemnon and Clytemnestra.

Oedipus and Antigone, Hecuba and Andromache, Hamlet et al.

Through Mr McKellen's per-

sonal commentary, his selection

incident, the love he lavishes on

the Shakespearian passages and

his infectious ardour, he elev-

ates Shakespeare into the mythological realm of his own

greatest characters. Mr McKel-

len's acting may appear too

technical to some Americans

(meaning more dependent on vocal pyrotechnics than feeling

that they are really too loaded to

take in all at once. The style is

rococo, not mechanical.

anecdote and historical

think of them less than of, say, antagonist,

knowledge more moving.

also said he wished I wouldn't make it. He felt I couldn't know what really happened, which is true. But I pointed out I wasn't making a film about him and Stratten but about Snider." Bogdanovich, who is pub-lishing his own memoir of his time with Stratten, has seen the finished film but refuses to comment, except

to admit his opinion is "not neutral". A meticulous man who spends "18 months to two years making a film and six months defending what I've made", the 55-year-old Fosse put his own reputation as a drinker and womanizer (along with details of his open-heart surgery) on screen in All That Jazz. It won four Oscars and attracted "more criticism than anything I've ever done". Despite his long line of Broadway hits, and his distinguished record as a film director, Fosse became better known for always dressing in black ("a dancer's thing - it's a clean line and also if your shirt is wrinkled it doesn't show so much in black") and for his series of romances with beautiful younger women including Jessica Lange, Julie Hagerty and Ann Reinking. Is not the kind of exploitation he savages in Star '80 exactly what he has done in his own

"It's been said". Fosse acknowledges with a grin. Though he refuses to defend himself, his former lovers have gone on record as praising his generosity and his help with their

Short for a dancer, with an elfin energy, Fosse is a man who attracts controversy. Condemned by some as a degenerate, he counts among his closest friends some of America's best writers including Chayevsky, Joseph Heller and William Styron. So it is surprising that Star '80 is Fosse's first solo script. "I've always worked with a writer before, but this in a business way. But it's done all Relations with Bogdanovich were time Paddy [Chayevsky] encouraged the time. Some of our biggest female even more tenuous. "He called me to try it alone. I've always wanted

the nicest thing anyone's ever said to me was Paddy, when he read my draft, he said: 'Now I know why you're so tough on writers. You don't need them'.

"Star '80 was the most difficult film I've made. There were areas I'd never worked in. I had a lot of help from tapes made by a journalist who'd covered the story and other video tapes of Dorothy Stratten promoting her films while she was alive - many of the lines in the screenplay are taken directly from life - but I was on my own when it came to the last scene, both writing and directing it. I knew the film would stand or fall by that scene. No one knows what happened during it. We know Dorothy went to see Paul, and we know he shot her and committed suicide and we know he sodomized her. That's all we know, all anyone will ever know. It was diffucult to write and even more difficult to shoot. When we came to it I told Eric and Mariel: 'I'm going to choreograph this as if it was a ballet That's how we're going to get through it'. I don't think it's noticeable in the finished scene, but we shot it by numbers - 'Now you sit down, with your legs like this and your hands placed so'."

For a song and dance man, Fosse has turned into a chronicler of America's extreme upward - and downward- mobility. Each of Fosse's mature films has a central character who is a troublemaker, whether Lenny Bruce or Sally Bowles, the director in All That Jazz or Paul Snider in Star 80. Despite his own glamorous lifestyle – a lifestyle he says he has abandoned since everybody started expecting me to show up drunk and with a pretty girl on my arm" - Fosse is a moralist whose work takes us backstage, behind the scenes, and studies what happens when the costumes come off and the show cannot go on.



#### Theatre in London

# Gloriously through the lunacy barrier

See How They Run

Shaftesbury Tom Stoppard once claimed that See How They Run contained the funniest line anywhere in English farce:

'Arrest several of these vicars." It was thus quite a let-down, as one coming fresh to Philip King's wartime hit, to find that the actual line is "Arrest most of these people". That exhausts my list of quibbles against an otherwise glorious evening.

King ends the piece with the sight of the cast value trying to explain the plot to one another, thereby giving reviewers a broad hint not to waste their time over this fruitless task After all, if you have a peaceful country vicarage with a bishop due to drop in, and an assortment of other visitors most of whom have an urgent need to masquerade as the vicar, it is not plot that counts so much as what happens over the next 90 seconds.

Like Ben Travers before him, King winds up his first act with the leisurely motion of one taking aim with a cream pie and deciding exactly where it will make the most mess. He then lets fly with an action that gobbles up every farcical routine from the underwear chase and the compromising cupboard to a burst of gunfire that sends the cuckoo clock into

hysterics. Nothing is wasted, If watches, King can extract hands another an invisible one visitor stows his Army laughter from back references to drink, which is then dropped uniform in the sports box, the living in The Bells and immediand the non-existent debris vicar is bound to go looking are wartime details as much as swept under the carpel: two there for a croquet mallet to tackle an escaped German

prisoner. And if the German then lays him out with a warming pan, the sound (which tolls through the evening like a dinner gong) causes the others to look at their

Sheer crastsmanship apart,

what marks the piece out as a classic is its ability to crash the lunacy barrier, as, typically, in a scene where one character

from the perennial banana

work, or Ray Cooney's either. But his production is manifestly the work of a master farceur. All the chaos is beautifully organized and if anything happes twice there is always some variation: as where palsied Denison's Bishop, coming round the chase for a second time, leaps over the empty spot where a body lay on his first lap. The brakes go on firmly to admit newcomers, like Derek Nimmo, walking into a calm clerical haven before

> their feet The supreme performance comes from Maureen Lipman as the parish's leading spinster snooper, an image of virginal rectitude, at least until she gets at the bottle.

finding the earth opening under

sensible people each assuming

In a play that may be as encrusted with stage tradition as

Malvolio's letter scene, that

routine may not be King's own

the other to be mad.

Apart from her wonderful comic articulation, from which she can pick up a succession of laughs from a single piece of business, she also performs a farcical miracle by simultaneously playing an inanimate object and a character who grows.

**Irving Wardle** 

#### Maureen Lipman's farcical miracle of comic articulation, with Derek Nimmo

Concert ally the accuracy of our own follows it jarred in a way that ness of the Largo, the heart of Philharmonia, play sweetly, the composer, ever conscious of a sense of unity in his music. while the woodwinds are generwould surely have hated. ally together and have an The same composer's Fourth honest, if unspectacular, sound. Symphony, a despairing work And I like the brass, whose that seems constantly

restraint lent a welcome tinge of darkness to both symphonies, pended in the no-man's-land of indeterminate tonality, was yet whose confidence seemed to surpass that of their colleagues.
There were encouraging signs more gripping in its effect, even though dynamic contrasts were again played down and phrases at the beginning of the Seventh were often crudely shaped. The Symphony, where the orchestra plundered with properly veiled woodwind soloists in particular never gave their solos enough sounds the mysterious depths of dramatic presence. the music. But you cannot play this work in such a manner all the way though if its constantly

that

But even if Berglund exercised rather too restraining a hand in those matters, his control of the general shape was convincing; the Scherzo never betrayed the smallest hint of lightheartedness, and the dark-

Proust (which provides the title) and David Niven. What matters most is the verve and stylishness of the dancing.

suave solo and sophisticated duets with Andria Hall is at the centre of the work: a real star performance that would shine equally at a big theatre but is somewhat cramped on the small stage. Janette Mulligan is the most provocative and scandalous of the women and has entries exploiting both humour and virtuosity. Prokovsky cunningly shows off the strength of all the cast in larger

Peter Farmer's costumes and

John Percival

#### Television Crushing burden

Brass Tacks Reports (BBC 2) could hardly have got closer to "brass tacks" than in last night's assault upon the heavy lorries which belo and rumber the property the country it has been applied to the property that the property is the property t through the country; it began with some interesting information about the baked bean industry of Wigan (which is a pleasant change from coals and Newcastle) before tackling the more serious business of a road freight industry which is now "out of control". It seems that England is the "most lorryintensive country in Europe good news for hitch-hikers, but not for those whose property and lives suffer from the depredations of the "juggernauts",

They move through towns like elephants trying to enter a mousehole, and the noise is indescribable for those who live beside the roads which are forced to bear the weight of these carriers; even the soundtrack of the documentary was difficult to bear, Certainly they are no less destructive than the Indian wagons from which they take their name, although in this case the sacrifices are not voluntary.

Buildings are damaged or destroyed, roads shift and crumble, and life in the streets becomes impossible - as is so often the case, the companies are making a profit at the expense of individual citizens for whom, it seems, there is no legal redress. Although the tone of the programme was polemical, it amassed more than enough evidence to justify its stridency. It was a most unpleasant story.

Open Space (BBC 2) was concerned with The Women of Durham Jail, the small number of female prisoners who are kept in the maximum security wing of that prison. This was a dramatization of the letters and writings of four such women, the purpose of which was not entirely clear. As an account of prison life it was convincing, if laconic, but the programme was obviously meant to offer more than a simple documentary record.

The women incarcerated here were supposed to be "the most dangerous in the country" even the male prisoners of Durham apparently think of them as "monsters" - and yet the programme came close to suggesting that they were articulate and reasonably agreeable people who just happened to be locked up.

That element of special pleading became most evident when one young woman, serving "several life sentences for explosions and murder was presented as a chirpy and somewhat sympathetic character. It was interesting to hear what she, and others, had to say; but their accounts were not at all "moving" in the way that the film-makers no doubt intended them to be.

Peter Ackroyd



Helsinki PO/ Berglund Festival Hall

It is probably unfair (and factions with their lives are certainly unchivalrous) to judge a visiting orchestra by their drawn with no great persuasivegruelling tour. But the Helsinki Philharmonic, who with their conductor Paavo Berblund had drinking it a punishment in a Britain in the previous 11 days, The friendship benevolently seemed to be weary musicians faked by Vaclav Havel's autoin their readings of two of Sibelius's symphonies on Tues-

Nonetheless, individual sections made some pleasant respectively, Havel's supervisor noises. The strings, although at a brewery, a nouveau-riche couple, and a successful writer lacking the bloom and occasionbeg in varying ways for his approval to salve the self-es-

**Festival Ballet** Orchard, Dartford

Much improved in presentation since a try-out two years ago, Festival Ballet's new small-scale touring programme opened on Tuesday at the attractive Or-chard Theatre, Dartford. The idea is to be able to send ballet on a respectable level to theatres that could not accommodate or support a large company, by using not more than a dozen dancers with piano accompaniment.

Two specially created ballets were included in this programme, but it starts with a version of Les Sylphides, so the audiences know that they are seeing "real" ballet. The corps de ballet was surprisingly little missed except in the finale; all the solos and ducts were

plain about Chopin being played on the piano?

played scrappily, and

evolving ideas are to take shape

at the proper pace. The allegro

molto moderato section was

Emilic, is an anecdote about a schizophrenic wife, her overprotective husband, an overeager admirer and a tragic dénouement in Victorian times. Created entirely by present and past members of the Festival Ballet, it shows more enterprise than achievement, but the whole-hearted performances were rightly applauded.

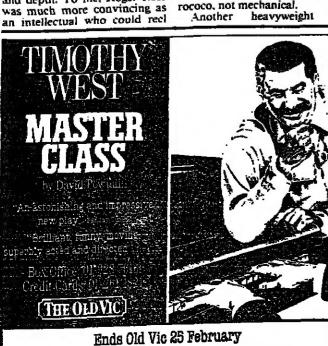
Andre Prokovsky's The

Draw your own contempor-

the piece, was unrelenting. In these works Sibelius reacts

deliberately against the fashionable excesses of Mahler, Liszt. in his Second Piano Concerto. which filled the gap between the symphonies on Tuesday, was very much the consciously avant-garde figure of his time. The unflappable soloist, Bernard d'Ascoli, made light of the piece's technical difficulties. However, the orchestra made no attempt to smoothen the rough juxtaposition of poetry, melodrama, banality and eccentricity in this wonderful mess of a work. Nor indeed should they have done.

Stephen Pettitt



accomplished stage actor vocal pyrotechnics than feeling throughout. The difference is and thought), but that would be

one of size. Each is a winner in a misjudgment. His line-his class, but Irons is a readings are so richly detailed lightweight and Rees a middle-motionally and intellectually

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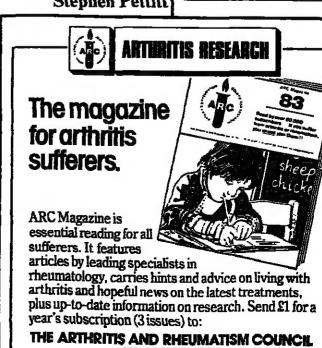
breathtaking resolution Dance One of the new works

Aquarium is a far more substantial work, which gives the small-scale programme a big- time appearance. He uses a dozen pieces by Gershwin, about equally well known and unfamiliar, and shows a group of gay young things dancing away the years of Depression with occasional incursions of posters demanding work for those less privileged.

ary social conclusions, or take Holly Hill performed in front of a proper them from one of the two backcloth, and who can comprogramme notes quoted from

Mark Silver in a glitteringly or smaller ensembles.

decor, achieving much with limited means, reinforce the effect and ensure the success of a work that will, I guess, be popular not only on this tour but wider audiences later. The excellent pianists, David Elwin and Kevin Darvas, are both members of Festival Ballet's music staff.



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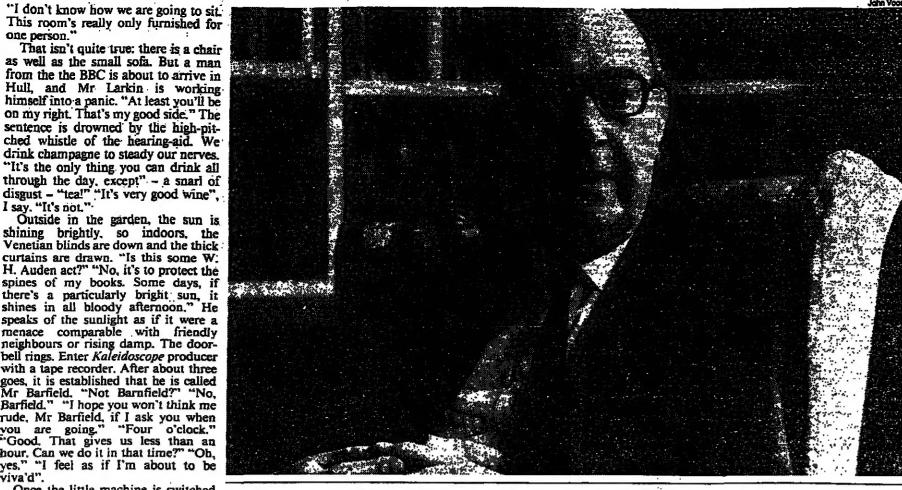
"It's the only thing you can drink all through the day, except" - a snari of disgust - "tea!" "It's very good wine", I say. "It's not." Outside in the garden, the sun is shining brightly, so indoors, the Venetian blinds are down and the thick curtains are drawn. "Is this some W: H. Auden act?" "No, it's to protect the spines of my books. Some days, if there's a particularly bright sun, it shines in all bloody afternoon," He speaks of the sunlight as if it were a menace comparable with friendly neighbours or rising damp. The doorbell rings. Enter Kaleidoscope producer with a tape recorder. After about three with a tape recorder. After about three goes, it is established that he is called Mr Barfield. "Not Barnfield?" "No, Barfield." "I hope you won't think me rude, Mr Barfield, if I ask you when you are going." "Four o'clock." "Good, That gives us less than an hour. Can we do it in that time?" "Oh, yes." "I feel as if I'm about to be viva'd"

Once the little machine is switched on, however, it is I whose nerve fails, and Mr Larkin rescues the situation. In a completely unshowy way, he is fluent, alert and totally professional. If the trenches, for Chrissake", - he is I ask a question which he does not obviously disillusioned by the revelwish to discuss, he grins like a cat ations about Owen's life and personal that's got the cream and makes silent character. gestures with his hands.

drink champagne to steady our nerves.

fact that his latest book, Required this. Is it fair to judge a poet by the Writing, has won this year's W. H. standards of his life, rather than just by Smith £4,000 literary award which we the words on the page? He concedes both agree, looking at past prize that it isn't fair but says that it is winners (Anthony Powell, Leonard inevitable that you will. But one of the Woolf, V. S. Naipaul, Thom Gunn) is most fascinating essays in Required rather more distinguished than the Writing appears to say the opposite. It vulgarian Booker. The year the judges is the essay about Thomas Hardy's first gave the prize to *Temporary Kings* by marriage which Larkin wrote in 1979. Anthony Powell, it was nearly awarded In the sex-war, thoughtlessness is the 10 Larkin's volume of poetry. High weapon of the male, vindictiveness of Windows. We can assume that, the female, as Cyril Connolly wrote, although he is being rewarded in but this was not war; it was more as if particular for this volume of journa- the freshness and delicacy of feeling lism, interviews and essays, the prize is that Hardy retained into his eighties a reflection of the high esteem in which required a formidable carapace of his entire oeuvre is held. Certainly, as a indifference and self-absorption to book of recycled occasional pieces, protect and preserve it." Required Writing has already had great success. Mr Larkin praises the acumen modern biographies of Hardy is the of his publishers, Faber, who soon sold extent to which they have emphasized out of their first printing (10,000 his selfishness to the point where we copies) and have reprinted 9,000 more. can almost (but never more than He describes his pleasure in reviewing. almost) doubt the delicacy of feeling. "I really do take trouble. I read the Mr Larkin's own career as a novelist book, make notes, all that sort of and poet seems to have followed an

As the volume shows, Larkin is a direct commonsense critic who is open to impressions and capable of he bleakly enunciated in Dockery and changing his mind. For instance, the review of Jon Stallworthy's Wilfred appeared in 1964 ends on the more Owen (1975) shows that he has become tenderly optimistic note of An Arundel disillusioned with the Owen he had so Tomb in which the stone figures of a idolized when the Collected Poems medieval aristocrat and his wife appeared in 1963. D. H. Lawrence and holding hands in death suggest Owen were the two writers he admired most when young. While retaining his admiration for Owen's last work -"how did he do it - writing poems in. Windows, the tone had become more



# The Times Profile: Philip Larkin

When the tape recorder is off and we All this palaver is to celebrate the can talk naturally, I take him up on

The disillusioning thing about some almost exactly opposite course.

Life is first boredom, then fear. Whether or not we use it, it goes, Son. But the collection in which it

Our almost-instinct almost true: What will survive of us is love. But ten years later, in High doggedly despondent. As for what will

survive of us, or our country, There'll be books; it will linger on In galleries, but all that remains For us will be concrete and tyres.

The tones of wistfulness, tenderness, sympathy, laughter and even hope (Begin afresh, afresh, afresh) were all present in High Windows. But there was also something else, which had been present in the oeuvre from the beginning, and which verges on selfparody. The very surname suggests fooling about, and in his public persona. Larkin seems forever to be surprising a hunger in himself to be more flippant. One discovers it in the hilarious interviews reprinted in Required Writing. Is Jorge Luis Borges the only other

contemporary poet of note who is also a librarian by the way?

Who's Jorge Luis Borges? The writer-librarian I admire is Archibald

MacLeish . . . . What about your politics? I've always been right wing. It's difficult to say why; but not being a

political thinker I suppose I identify the right with certain virtues and the left with certain vices. All very unfair, no doubt. Which virtues and vices? Well, thrift, hard work, reverence,

desire to preserve - those are the virtues in case you wondered: and on the other hand, idleness, greed and

To describe all this as self-parody would be quite wrong if by that one implied that there was a trace of insincerity in it. Nor would it even be quite fair to say that Mr Larkin deliberately exploited the annoyance value, in Marxmount circles, of preferring Dick Francis to some of his

more avant-garde contemporaries, or of liking the Prime Minister. "Why do they go on about my admiring Mrs Thatcher. It's not just me. Why do they think she won the bloody election?"

Although he leads a modestly secluded life and does nothing to court the limelight, the high popularity of this latest book is ample proof of the fact that Larkin is a cult figure.

Mention Hull in any gathering which contains even vaguely literate people and pretty soon someone says the name of Larkin. He tells me he used to enjoy holidays on Sark. A little churchy anecdote about the parson who was craving to be "high" (he wore a biretta during matins) but who was kept under the thumb of the Dame. ("I'm not having a credence table in my chancel", she said). The clergyman, after moaning to Larkin about his bossy patron, asked, "and you, sir, are you of the cloth?"

It wasn't an absurd question: a tall. baid, gentle man in specs with an educated voice: Larkin could easily have been the half-lugubrious incumbent of some ill-attended fane. But what pleases him about the anecdote is that the parson didn't recognize him, whereas, back at the hotel "some frightful hippy" found out he was from Hull - "and of course the usual questions followed".

The knowledge that he shocks the lefties, and the realization that his 'views" coincide with those of hordes of his fellow-countrymen, combine in Larkin with a high sense of irony. He really does think these things, and he really is depressive, and it isn't an act; but he laughs a great deal and he has bad day", he murmurs, "when I don't more or less lost the language in which he could be serious.

Perhaps this combination of high

Honouring the hermit of Hull popularity and increasing flippancy has made it impossible to write poems. "I didn't give poetry up - it gave me up". He describes it as a sort of music or singing in his head. Obviously he regrets the fleeing of this music and doubts whether it will ever return. It is largely for this music that we honour him, a haunting sound, the best music in our century since Yeats:

It's like looking down From long french windows at a provincial town,
The slums, the canal, the churches

ornate and mad In the evening sun. It is intensely

In one of his semi-comic poems, l'ers de Societé, he reflected on the chummy modern view that All solitude

No one now Believes the hermit with his gown Talking to God (who's gone too); the big wish Is to have people nice to you, which

means Doing it back somehow.

In fact, of course, all societies need hermits, none more so than those who have discarded their gods. Larkin's bleak townscapes, his refusal to blur edges, or pretend to be nice or provide us with saving illusions is precisely why we read him - the Simeon Stylites de nos jours. Hardy might have needed the "carapace of indifference" to protect his "poetic" sensibility. With Larkin, the position is reversed. He needed the artistic persona of a gloomy, woman-hating, cynic to hide the private self who is in fact an amiable and kind man, more at ease with life, I would guess than the "persona" of the poems. With jabbing inconsolable certainty, his best lines express the worst fears, the blackest moods, which it would be possible to entertain without committing suicide. Indeed, many must have killed themselves for less. Is his function that of the hermit? Does it console us to think that however miserable we are, there's some old misanthrope up in Hull even more wretched than we are half drunk too, by the sound of it? No, that's too clever. ("For Christ's sake don't ask me anything clever".) It's chiefly the tone of voice, the Larkin music which is attractive, in prose as in

We stand by the "picture window" in his house, built perhaps between the end of the Chatterley ban and the Beatles first LP. As the sun goes down he feels able to open the blinds ("though you can get some bloody awful sunsets in the East Riding which blaze in and get in your eyes") and we stare out over the neat suburban gardens. I talk to him about his poem Aubade which he thinks will be his last. Some doctor read that last line Postmen like doctors go from house to house' and said, "It's years you know since doctors did house to house visiting. But I said, 'No. It isn't postmen, comma, like doctors, comma, but just postmen like doctors.' I meant the arrival of the postman in the morning is consoling, healing."

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moreover...
Miles Kington

# Crown Plus

Controversy about previous royal portraits has paled into invisibility compared to the latest controversy about a royal portrait (writes Norman Herald, our Royal Portrait Controversy Correspondent). For the latest portrait of a member of the Royal Family, entitled Member of the Royal Family by Sam Gallery, looks nothing like any member of the Royal

That's right", agrees controversial Sam Gallery, who lives in London's trendy Catford. "It's not intended to look like anyone in the Royal Family. I've been trying to get away from the normal image of the royals and ask myself. What do the Royal Family really look like? There's no real answer to that question, so I did this picture instead."

To the untutored eye, Gallery's painting looks more like a picture of a tin of dog food, with the suspicion of Windsor Castle in the background. It's executed in pencil on the back of an old Sainsbury's check-out receipt. The portrait was commissioned by the 3rd Battalion the Royal Mounted War Artists, of whom a member of the Royal Family is the honorary Colonel-in-Chief, though they're not sure which. How do they feel about the work of art for which they feel about the work of art for which they have paid £15,000?

We have mixed feelings", confesses commanding officer Major-General Herbert Annigoni, "On the one hand, we think that Gallery has managed to capture some of the more intangible elements of the Royal ethos and transmit a feeling of royal remoteness, even the duality of royalty in a democratic age. On the other hand, we think it's a load of codswallop and a waste of money. On the third hand, we've had a lot of publicity out of it and recruiting figures have shot up since the portrait was first published."

Public outrage over this latest royal portrait has been immense, according to the National Royal Portrait Gallery. But what exactly does this mean?

"It means that three people have rung up to protest", explains a spokesman. "If two people ring up, we call it an outcry, and if one person rings up, it's what we call a wrong number. We shall be displaying the Sam Gallery publicly for the next two months and if it doesn't arouse any more interest, we shall probably arrange to have it slashed." The Mounted War Artists were formed in

the Peninsular War, and although there was no previous tradition for this sort of thing, the British soon established a reputation for being able to paint faster in the saddle than any other nation. Among their battle honours are Black Day at Omdurman, A Hard-Fought Draw Against the Prussian Blues and the littleknown Charge of the Dark Brigade. They have long since been mechanized, of course, and all their work is now done with camera and zoom lens. Normally they keep a low profile, for fear of being shot, but now for the first time they have found themselves in the public eye. Sam Gallery thinks he can take the credit for

Banks

Conci

Royal portraits are so far behind the. times, it's not true. I mean, if you did a portrait of Princess Diana in the style of Whistler there'd be an outcry, for heaven's sake. So I thought I'd go the whole hog, and do a Pop Art thing. That way, they're only 20 years behind the times now, I mean, let's face it, even the Queen's face on our stamps is 30 years out of date, and most foreigners think it's really Princess Di."

When asked for a comment last night, Buckingham Palace said they were far too busy rearranging the Van Dycks to come to the phone.

#### Poles apart

Magnets, as every schoolboy/ girl knows, have two poles, north and south, one at end as it But cut a magnet in half and you end up not with two separate poles, rather with two magnets again with opposite poles at either end. Nature, it seems does not like magnetic poles to exist alone. More than 50 years ago, however, theorist Paul Dirac showed that single magnetic poles could exist, as the magnetic "charges" on particles dubbed "monopoles".

Recent attempts to derive a "grand unified theory" of nature's fundamental forces have revitalized interest in monopoles, for such theories suggest that many supermassive monopoles should have been created in the big bang with which the universe is commonly believed to have begun. But in general, experimental

searches for the beasts have proved fruitless. However, this new interest in

monopoles has prompted S. N. Anderson and colleagues at the University of Washington in Seattle to reappraise some anomalous data of theirs. They had left some plates of "nuclear emulsion" - a special kind of photographic emulsion - more than 1,000 metres underground for 250 days, in the Homestake gold mine in South Dakota. On developing the plates, the researchers observed more than two million tracks in the emulsion produced by alpha particles from natural radioactivity in the glass plates. What was most interesting

were seven tracks significantly longer than expected for alpha particles of the energies typical of the possible radioactive decays. Anderson and colleagues suggest that these long tracks might instead emanate from the products of an exotic form of uranium fission, induced by a superheavy magnetic monopole. (S. N. Anderson et al. Physical Review D, vol 28, p 2308, 1983.)

#### **FINDINGS**

#### A series reporting on research PARTICLE PHYSICS



High energy Ernest Rutherford discovered the existence of protons in the nuclei of atoms in the early part of this

century, so it may seem

surprising that physicists are

still learning about the proper-

ties of this well known constitu-

protons at high energies reveal w the particles appear from highly distorted viewpoint of velocities close to the speed of light. Results from CERN, Europe's centre for research in high-energy physics, provide new insight into the proton's appearance at higher energies than ever before. In analysing the new data, R. Henzi and P. Valin McGill University in Montreal (where Rutherford himself once worked) have hown that protons appear blacker edgier and larger" at the high energies available (R. Henzi and P. Valin, Physics Letter, vol 132B, p 443, 1983).

Nature's messenger So-called supersymmetric theories are based on a symmetry between the basic particles of

ent of matter. In particular, experiments that collide together

matter and the "exchange particles" - the messengers that carry nature's fundamental forces between the particles of matter. One consequence of this symmetry is that a matter particle such as an electron, should have a "supersymmetric partner". This would be a particle with similar interactions to the normal matter particle, but with an intrinsic spin (like a top) more akin to an' exchange particle. In the case of the electron, the supersymme-tric version, the "selectron" would have the same electromagnetic properties, but unlike electron would have zero

Theory allows the selectron to have a mass different from that of the normal electron, but a recent experimental search for the selectron suggests that this mass must be more than 45,000 times that of the electron. The search took place at the Stanford Linear Accelerator Center in California. In the machine there called PEP, highenergy beams of electrons collide with positrons (anti-electrons) and annihilate to produce

a burst of pure energy from which new particles can be created. The deteotor known as the Mark II found no evidence for the creation of selectrons.
(L. Gladney et al, Physical Review Letters, vol 51, p 2253,

Thirteenth state CERN. European organization research, provides facilities for research in basic subnuc lear physics used by more than

2,000 scientists from a number of European countries, including Britain. Sited on the outskirts of Geneva, it houses the machine that at present produces the highest particle-collision energies in the world. Now Spain has joined the organization, becom-ing the thirteenth member state. One hopes the Spanish are not too superstitious and that the union proves fruitful both for Spain and for CERN.

**Christine Sutton** 

#### **CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 269)**

ACROSS

1 Black letter script (6) Smart (6) Successful record (3) 9 Large prawns (6) 10 Patch-up (6)

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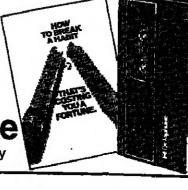
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**BOOKS** 

# The weary cynic

#### The Anatomy of Power By John Kenneth Galbraith

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(Hamish Hamilton, £9.95) One would have hoped that a modern mind what town and gown were to the medieval, and preparation. of all the characters recently to have alternated as insiders and outsiders, J. K. Galbraith must have been one of the most

were his periods inside. Part of that conspicuousness can be attributed to his prolific writings, part to his physical height, part to his wealth, and part to his cynical wit. On the hasis of this book it could certainly not be attributed to the quality of his mind or the attractiveness of his prose. There is evidence of neither. His thesis, if it can be called

conspicuous, however brief

Power yields strongly, in a secular way, to the rule of three. There are three instruments for wielding or inforcing II. And there are three institutions or traits that accord the most to lie use It is a measure of right to its use. It is a measure of how slightly (sic) the subject of power has been analysed that the three reasonably obvious instruments of its exercise do not have generally accepted names. These must be provided: I shall speak of condign, compensatory and conditioned pow-

And speak of them he does, since that dreary alliterative trinity appears on almost every page of this book as it drones through chapters on the sources of power (personality, property, organization) its dialectic, its larger dynamics, the emergence and power of high capitalism. organization, the state and military, religious and press power. There is a "final" word on concentration and diffusion of power which includes a sentence which sums it all up: Power is now diffused by its dialectic, of which sufficient has been said". Sufficient indeed.

The prose is humourless jargon of this kind throughout. it is outclassed in interest value by the foot-notes, though even they are revealingly modern.

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avant-garde note.

for rubbish.

those trendy essays in colour magazines whose textual banality and generalizations about everything under the sun are normally garnished with flow charts and league tables. Sadly we have no charts here. One would have had more insight man who epitomized the into the nature of power on one eastern American intellectual's whole page of disconnected recurring love-hate relationship quotations. If only Galbraith with the world of power politics had avoided the temptation of would not have written such a writing something himself and lifeless and superficial book on had decided instead to compile power as this one has. Washing an anthology of quotations ton and Harvard are for the from all the books on power which he had read by way of

> What a disappointment from a man who is supposed to be so clever and so amusing. Perhaps the reputation which has preceded him, induces a false expectation of wit, yet how else can one describe a man but as a wit who, having luxuriated in all the good things in life material and intellectual - can say he is "not particular about freedom" and that he thinks the Berlin Wall is also a "good thing" (in an interview in a West German newspaper)? Either he was joking or else he carries a weary cynicism much

If this book had been similarly provocative it might have been more stimulating. It seems not to have been written by an academic of any great resource, since there are no fanciful excursions into the history of power, or studies of the play of power on different personalities. There is no selfcriticism, and no doubt.

It is narrow in the sense that it is basically confined to an American context. It is suspect because it hovers over ar unconvincing critique of the corporate state, written by a man who in his earnest advocacy elsewhere of a permanent prices and incomes policy would seem to be an arch corporatist himself. It is shallow in its concentration on so-called capitalist power, with barely a genuflection to the wholly different workings of commu-nist power. It is lazy in the absence of detailed illustration. Sadly Mr John Gunter and Mr Anthony Sampson have both in their time shown that they are better anatomists, even without the flow charts.

**Charles Douglas-**Home

# Fiona MacCarthy reports the latest grunt on gorillas

# Living among the great apes

Gorillas in the Mist By Dian Fossey

(Hodder & Stoughton, £10.95) The image of gorillas as large, mindless and alarming (ref typical entry in the Puffin Crack-a-Joke Book:

Q. What do you call a gorilla with a tommy-gun? A. Sir). should be dispelled for ever by

this book by Dian Fossey which will be, and which deserves to be, one of the year's best-sellers. and which reveals gorillas as more subtle and congenial than many of the humans they so touchingly resemble. Very ignorant people, some of whom I know, can hardly tell one great ape from another,

confusing orangutans, chimpan

zees and gorillas with a lack of expertise which Dian Fossey, who has lived amongst great apes for years, would pour much scorn on. There are also those around who mix up gorilla species, unaccountably and lamentably failing to distinguish Gorilla, gorilla, gorilla – which of course is the lowland gorilla and relatively common - from Gorilla, gorilla, beringel, the mountain gorilla, Dian Fossey's speciality, a very different thing. Hairier. And broader-chested. Having more expanded nostrils. Also a great deal rarer. In fact just about

extinct. No two gorillas look alike.

ual animal. To pick out one gorillas) is sitting in the middle gorilla from the crowd, the trick of a group of them exchanging of identification is the noseprint, the placing of the nostrils in gorillas being the unique feature, like the fingerprint in humans. Dian Fossey was get flustered when stared eventually able to give names to straight at, a reaction Dr Fossey many of the gorillas in the rain forest. One was called Uncle Bert, after a real uncle who was said to displeased, though be

since his namesake the gorilla, judging by his portrait, had good nostril-formation and, besides, Uncle Bert's nature (he was gorilla-group leader until killed by the poachers) was particularly noble. Gorillas are also well-dis-tinguished by their sounds, or mood, are as theatrical as men. Vocalizations as researchers like to call them. Gorillas make noises of a wonderful variety, listed scientifically and recorded by spectrogram in Appendix E to Dian

should have been quite flattered

Fossey's book. The Pig-grunts and the Chuckles, regular response to tickling. The response to tickling. The Wraaghs, like little roars. The Hootseries which usually pre-cede gorilla chestbeats. The Belch Vocalizations, Dr Fos-

wardly divided between Zaire, and foeding on wild celery in Rwanda and Uganda) is the the gorilla mode, in her initial acumen with which she differentiates not just one group of one of Dian Fossey's ideas of the conflict form another but the conflict one of Dian Fossey's ideas of the conflict form another but the conflict one of Dian Fossey's ideas of the conflict form another but the conflict one of Dian Fossey's ideas of the conflict of the entiates not just one group of one of Dian Fossey's ideas of gorillas from another but the heaven (for she is a wild characteristics of each individromanuc on the subject of of a group of them exchanging Belch Vocalizationsa: naoom, nacom, nacom.
It is moving to discover that

> managed to allay by winding vines round her binoculars, turning them into extended vegetation. Gorillas, which tend to smell like humans although stronger, have all-too-recognizable traits in their behavour. scratching their heads as a sign of discomfiture, drumming their fingers in boredom or impatience. Walking stiffly, lips compressed, whacking at passing vegetation. Gorillas, in that seem almost super-human, Their social arrangements, divided into units under the surveillance and protection of the silverback leader, have a marvellous sophistication and

to learn. Certainly the human beings in this story almost all make an Part of the fascination of Dr sey's favourite, the most con- alarmingly poor showing. The

Fossey's account of her 13 years in the Virunga Mountains (a tain forest area rather awk-wardly divided between Zaire, and feeding on wild celery in Swahili that he is a cook for Europeans not for animals. The research student carelessly sets the camp on fire. The tourists, Englishman dressed for the rain forests in a dark suit with a briefcase, are almost without exception idiotic; the complete insensitivity of a French film crew causes a pregnant gorilla to great apes, like many humans. miscarry. The maiming and killing of gorillas by the local

poachers, whose depradations continues almost uncontrolled. And what of the mysterious Dr Louis S.B. Leakey who originally selected Dian Fossey, then an occupational therapist working in Kentucky, as the person to undertake this long-term field study of the mountain gorilla, which he saw as the natural successor to Dr Jane Goodall's study of the chimpanzce? Dr Leakey, dispensing the resources of L.S.B. Leakey Foundation, emerges as a bit of And in some respects their lives a Professor Branestawm figure, with his aluminium crutches, white hair streaming in the wind. His idea of a practical joke was to tell Dian Fossey she needed her appendix out before she went to Africa. She got coherence from which, as Dian home from the hospital and Fossey implies frequently, heard from Dr Leakey that this human society itself has much was just his test of applicants' determination. Yes, the people in this story are untrustworthy indeed.



Much like humans, but in some ways nicer

emerges with integrity, fair and literature in existence but is also honourable in her dealings with peculiarly evocative, including problematic humans as well as an article by a Dr Fossey great great apes. I recommend predecessor, Lady Broughton. her book. Do not miss the called "Stalking the mountain Bibliography which is not only (as claimed by the publishers, undoubtedly correctly) the most It is only Dr Fossey who extensive list of gorilla-based London News in 1932.

gorilla with the camera in its natural haunts". This was published in the Illustrated

# Andrew Gimson picks fiction of the week Still Life from Holland

#### Bearers of Bad **Tidings**

By Martin Hart (Alison & Busby, £8.95)

#### Speranza By Sven Delblanc

(Secker & Warburg, £7.95) The only other of Martin Hart's books to have been translated from the Dutch is a study, said to be authoritative, of rats. In the present work, an autobiographical novel which has enjoyed great success in Holland, he writes with equal authority about grave-digging. The first chapter resembles a

brilliantly cooked dish, in which

very simple, even ordinary why Macmillan have become tastes are presented with extraexcited about it: most of the first poveis which publishers are ordinary lucidity and strike the palate as new and astonishingly sent are so utterly unfit to be delicious. The danger of rec-ommending such food is that to printed that in the end a As a piece of writing The Wasp competently executed work, in Factory soars to the level of mediocrity, which may explain with care and conviction, begins many people it seems plain and dull. So also might a Dutch because the scene is not to look like a masterpiece, and sensational. In Hart's first can without blushing be called chapter there is, in fact, an "a novel of extraordinary originality, imagination and comic ferocity". Or maybe the element of excitement: a man describes how he has taken an evening walk along the quayside that though Delblanc does a and finds himself sliding, on number of things rather well, crassly explicit language, and the obscenity of the plot, which black ice, slowly and inescarevolves about the supposed castration of a small child, were pably towards the cold waters of thought to strike an agreably may expect to drown. His liaison with a young girl, from character as a reflective and an aristocratic household. His Perhaps it is all a joke, meant solitary individual, unusual but not disagreeable, is established. He remembers the thing which to fool literary London, terrified of seeming prudish, into respect anything: riding on the handle-bars of his father's bicycle. His Andrew Gimson

father is a grave-digger. Having avoided death himself, we are quickly presented with the son's main dilemma:

torments and die. After an knowing it, and his moral resumes his jocular profession, to all appearances never in better health. The length of the middle part of the book is too great to be sustained by the single question of when he will fall ill again: although the son's digressions about his love for his father are never less than delicate and well-written, and the cemetery scenes are amusing, there is no sense of development, there is an aimless feel to it, and gloomy meditations begin in the reviewer's mind, about the rea-

sons why so many novels get worse after the first 60 pages. But the death at the end is good. Hart is a novelist of quality, who has won his public without resorting to the lurid sexual episodes which are the mainstay of many modern authors, and we are lucky to be able to try his work.

Sven Delblanc is not a Swedish Voltaire. Doubtless he Voltaire. But he has written a book about optimism which bears too many similarities to Candide for the reader to avoid the comparison, and the feeling Voltaire did them better.

A young man has been the River Meuse, in which he expelled, on account of his tutor has inculcated in him a naive belief in Liberty, Equality and Fraternity (it is 1794). has mattered to him more than Unfortunately the young man is anything: riding on the handle-bars of his father's bicycle. His surprise at the outside world's

refusal to conform to his ideals is devoid of Candide's glorious, innocent apiness. He suffers already from the self-centred how is he to tell his father that he is suffering from cancer of the pancreas and will suffer er, flabby and corrupt without pitying noise.

exploratory operation his father decline will fail to engage our sympathy.

He is placed in an ingenious predicament, finding himself a passenger on the Speranza, a ship taking slaves to the West Indies. A few planks separate him from their hellish suffering. He protests indignantly, tries to buy their freedom, argues in vain with a priest who says that these slaves, being intended for a Jesuit rum distillery, are helping to build the Kingdom of God. Everyone in the miniature world of the Speranza is sustained by hope: "Without hope we cannot live; whilst under the guiding star of hope we can put up with anything. The hero starts to succumb to this perverted hope, which enables him to preserve his own privileges, to take advantage of a helpless slave woman, and to

suppress a slave revolution made in the name of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity. The fable is good, but the flatulent through the hero's diary, exceedingly tiresome.
The Open Road (Onlywomen Press, £5.95, paperback £1.99) is

a collection of eight short stories, Iennifer Gubb's first, amounting to 90 pages. It is marked by her resolute avoid-ance of ambitious literary effects, her straightforward use of her knowledge of rural life in Devon, and her unsentimental description of trials which it is easier to forget or ignore: the killing for the first time of a chicken; the anxiety of a first train journey; the burden of looking after an incontinent old

Something happens in each story, and if an are is being ground (not an unreasonable thing to do to an axe), it does not give off a strident or self-

## Woodrow Wyatt reviews Sidney Bernstein Entertainer of the masses

### Sidney Bernstein

#### By Caroline Moorehead

(Cape, £12.95)

He had a mania for neatness and detail that would... explode into irrational anger when he would stalk through the offices complaining that the telephone directories were in the wrong order, or that too much stationery was being hoarded. He drove people mad by ringing them up all the time... to find out to have his own say about every matter, however trivial ... He outraged them . . . by a sort of puritanism that seemed to some too cautious, too petty, too mean.

Sounds a bit disagreeable, but it was, and is, a successful way of running a business. It worked because throughout his career Sidney Bernstein understood infinite capacity for detail is in at rest whose strength the genius class. He would have made it to the top even if he hadn't been born, as he put it, with a silver screen in his mouth.

had various business ventures, some good, some disastrous. Without looking at them, "after a large and convivial City lunch", he bought an estate of 600 houses in Ilford very cheaply at a property auction.

#### built some of the earliest cinemas. Eccentrically, he tried

in September 1917. of which brought an atmos-

> Miss Moorehead shows a complex character. Always beautifully dressed and beautifully mannered but a reserved private person. His trick in apparent but latent. Yet like many financially secure he has an inner insecurity which

> > under recreations: litigation,

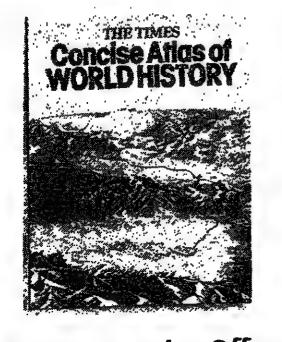
cinema-goers.

His father, Alexander, came from Sweden in the 1880s. He

By 1906 he had bought some land in Edmonton ideal for shops. To entice the shoppers he built a variety theatre, the Edmonton Empire. So the Bernstein family went into entertainment Sidney, born in 1899, was fascinated. The business expanded and Alexander, a far-seeing man,

He has been a faithful member of the Labour Party to turn his son into an engineer. inclining to a naive Leftism. But Sidney persuaded him to let him join his entertainment That is the imprint he first put on Granada TV. He was right to business after he was rejected by get more frank discussion and the Army on medical grounds depiction of political subjects on the TV screen. But it was not By the age of 22 Sidney was a balanced, as the old BEC used to be. Doubtless he would say well known enough showman to that Left Wing producers are be asked to Sandringham to more creative and interesting show Chaplin's The Kid to the than Right Wing. But the search Royal Family during a Christmas holiday. He had an instinct and a love for films, growing up for, and the grooming of, middle of the road producers has not been vigorous. Granada with the new rash of exotic TV is the natural parent of cinemas and developing them Channel 4 and of the loss of himself, the interior decoration impartiality in the BBC.

phere of the palatial to ordinary This is a readable book, if too detailed. Sidney Bernstein was very helpful to Miss Moorehead in its writing. This has not influenced her to hide any of his defects. Sidney Bernstein has been a force for good in exerting authority among his providing modern entertain-Sidney Bernstein understood equals or superiors was to stay ment for the millions: Corona-each business he ran better than silent, not pushing himself then Street is his. Whatever any of his employees. His forward, but looking like a tiger would amuse the people he has ment for the millions: Coronagiven them, from cinema organs to Bingo in Granada cinemas no longer viable for films. He has routed the stuffy. makes him touchy. His entry in He has made television freer of Who's Who could well list inhibitions. He has a kind and generous beart.



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#### Robert Nye reviews the poetry of the month Sabreur against the Heavy Brigade

I take it that all right-thinking chaps dislike anthologies, those sticky bags of other people's sweets where even the real Still, no bag should be thrown away which contains a piece of toffee like this:

The poetry that I admire is light and easy, it's a change from those big guns that dully fire though it has range. ut doesn't move in earthy boots or call an God to save its soul. it's not obsessed with its own roots, deep as a mole. . . .

The poet is Gavin Ewart and

the anthology the latest Arts Council effort, New Poetry 9, edited by Julian Symons (Hutchinson, 17.95). Ewart's poem, entitled "Against the Heavy Brigade", amounts to a manifesto in favour of the civilizing and confusion-cancelling properties of good light verse. It is witty and wise, and the nice thing is that Symons himself favours the kind of poetry here praised and prac-tised by Ewart, with a result that the anthology contains a minimum of pretentious stuff. Roy Fuller, Barry Cole, Michael Hofmann, Vernon Scannell, and Derek Stanford stand out amongst the other contributors, all members of the Light Brigade, more or less - which is not to deny their seriousness, only to be grateful that they do not themselves advertise it with

removal a few years ago from London to Norfolk and his starting to write a smaller and



Gavin Ewart: model of the civilizing properties of good light

splendidly sophisticated writer has settled for being a "nature" poet or anything like that, but he does appear to have discovered a home for his imagination and his verse is the stronger for it. stronger for it. The Long Darkness (Secker & Warburg, £5.95) contains poems in which matters of life and death are presented with the unmistakable authority of experience. Once upon a time MacBeth's work was dressed to kill but had big guns and dull fire.

George MacBeth strikes me as a much improved poet these days, the palpable change of direction in his work seaming to have something to do with his loved, or his feeling that he has wasted his earn telepatent. wasted his own talents.

more particular kind of poem for me the most moving about what he found there. This memorable poem in the book, "My Father's Patents": My father's patents in the dark, Their red seals shining, show the

way. Black-framed they rise, on velvet ground, And succour me, from hour to hour. These, in a far day, made some Worked more for honour than for And what their dead inventor found Lives on in me, an inward power.

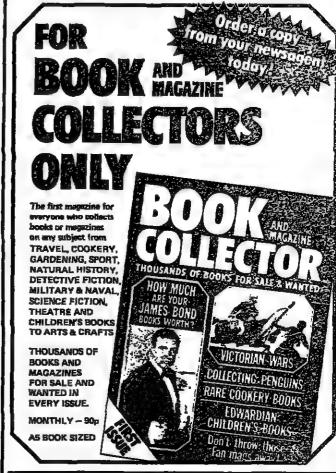
The delayed rhythm reinforces the note of awkward yet deliberate sincerity, as though the poet had arrived at his meaning slowly and with difficulty, having to overcome resistance in himself, it is only as the poem rises to its climax that the rhymes fall closer and more decisively together, as the It is this last theme, treated head-on, which inspires what is sense demands. Here, as else-

where, MacBeth shows himself to be a real craftsman, and one for whom craft is subject to

So is Sheila Wingfield, whose Collected Poems 1938-1983 (Enitharmon Press, £8.85 or £5.25 paper) is full of lovely things. Wingfield's work has been praised in its time by Yeats, by de la Mare, by Herbert Read, and by other fellow poets, but somehow she has never been given general public acknowledgement as the important and original poet which she undoubtedly is. The distinguishing feature here is the purity of motive which one feels behing nearly every poem - this poet does not write at all unless she has something to say which she believes to be unsayable except in terms of poetry, and if that sounds precious or high-flown just listen to her criticism of the

With palate for fine things but penny mouth, I have to tell what sourness, drouth, Juice, or sweet, lodges in the core
Of those I learn from, groan with,
like, or else denlare like, or else deplore. Seldom I feel – left on a tooth – Wisdom's honey or the wax of truth.

I like and admire the intensely active intelligence which gives quirky shape to that, and all through the book Wingfield's surprises are not the result of originality of manner but of originality of vision, which is of course what lests and matters in the end. This is not light verse, but it is no Heavy Brigade verse either. It is verse which is just about the right weight for its own seriousness - which is to say,



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# THE TIMES DIARY

#### Supermac's tease

High Tory circles are buzzing with the rumour that the recently ennobled Harold Macmillan has settled on the now staunchly non-Conservative town of Stockton-on-Tees for the territorial element in his earldom, Stockton was Macmillan's first parliamentary constituency. He won it as a Unionist in 1924 and held it continuously from 1931-45, before becoming MP for Bromley. The choice of this most unpatrician place on which to base an earldom is likely to be seen as Macmillan's reply to critics who say he should have been true to his reforming spirit as Tory prime minister by continuing to refuse a peerage. Earl Macmillan of Stockton does sound a trifle ... well, plebeian.

#### Eastern promise

Lindsay Anderson, Michael Caine, David Essex and Sheila Hancock are among the thespian luminaries lending their names to the £250,000 centenary appeal on behalf of the Theatre Royal, Stratford East, to be launched next week. The splendid little Victorian theatre needs the money to put the finishing touches to its renovation project, which has already cost £400,000. Among other things, the Royal is notable for being in the forefront of the battle against theatre censorship. In 1956, Richard Harris (also an appeal patron) challenged the Lord Chamberlain challenged the Lord Chamberlain with a play entitled You Won't Always Be on Top, which led to the eventual lifting of censorship in the early 1960s. We have come a long way from the days when Charles Dillon, the actor-manager, was trying to set up the Royal and a local vicar objected on the grounds that such an establishment would not be conducive to "the moral elevation of Stratford" and would "only attract

Europe.

foreign policy establishment; they

did not even make much political

All this seems all the more

remarkable when it is compared

with the climate of opinion sur-rounding Nato today. If in the past

the American foreign policy establishment was unambiguously

and unshakably committed to Nato.

today many leading members of that

The most vivid example of this

change is the "no-first-use" of

nuclear weapons principle advo-

cated by a group of former

government officials who have

come to be known as the American

"gang of four": George F. Kennan (the great theoretician of the

containment strategy in the Truman administration), Robert S. McNamara (Secretary of Defence in

the Kennedy and Johnson adminis-

trations), McGeorge Bundy (National Security Adviser to

presidents Kennedy and Johnson),

and Gerard Smith (Nixon's rep-

resentative at the Salt negotiations).

It is still, I think, not fully recognized - least of all by the gang

of four themselves - that a piedge of no-first-use would be tantamount to a withdrawal of the American

commitment to the defence of

Europe. But there is no escape from

that conclusion. The threat of a

nuclear response has always been, and remains, Nato's strategy for deterring the Soviet Union from

exploiting its superiority in conven-

tional forces to overrun Western

Europe. American troops are there

not to fight the invaders off but to make the nuclear threat "credible"

by serving as a "tripwire". Under

no-first-use, American troops, no longer needed for this or any other

military purpose, would be with-drawn, thereby further weakening,

and perhaps altogether cutting, the lifeline tying the US to the fate of

What we have here, then, is

the reappearance, in a nuclear-age mutation, of the isolationist

tradition. That isolationism should

once again have become an influen-

pal presence in American political

life is not itself surprising; on the

contrary, it was to be expected and

was indeed predicted as a consequence of the defeat in Vietnam. But

what is surprising, and portentous, is

that isolationism should have returned under the sponsorship of

men who once stood at the very

head of the Atlanticist establish-

Perhaps because such men are still unable to face up to the fact of

their apostasy, the "gang of four" simply refuse to admit that no-first-

use means for all practical purposes

a withdrawal of the American

commitment to the defence of

Europe, and the dissolution of Nato.

Within the intellectual community,

however, proponents of this doctrine like Irving Kristol and the late Herman Kahn have been willing

to acknowledge its implications.

Yes, says Kristol, no-first-use would

spell the end of Nato, but good

riddance to it. The time has come

for the Europeans to assume

responsibility for their own defence

Kristol is by no means certain

and for the US to go it alone.

Top-level opposition,

public resentment

Western Europe.

ordinary Americans.

#### Swedish massage

Robert Maxwell, the ambitious publishing tycoon, has been thwarted - temporarily at least - in his attempt to become the owner of Manchester United. But he may find some consolation in the recognition to be bestowed on him by King Carl Gustaf of Sweden. This afternoon, the Swedish ambassador to Loudon will present Maxwell with the Royal Order of the Polar Star. This may do his ego some good, but Maxwell hasn't a clife why he's gotting it.

BARRY FANTONI



"Can I have a last cigarette? I picked up the habit from a bessle'

#### Benn beware

Tony Benn, as he battles to find his way back to the House of Commons via Chesterfield, might benefit from a short history lesson. According to my tame psephologist, the last by-election it the town of the crooked spire took place in 1913, when a Liberal named Kenyon wrested the seat from Labour, who had held it since 1906. Kenyon remained the town's MP until 1929. Benn can't say I didn't warn him.

#### Short-changed

In view of the many expressions of public gratitude I have received for Design magazine's bold intervention in the shocking matter of the nonexistent lavatories at the ICA in The Mall, it may seem churlish of me to suggest that the Design Gouncii, which publishes the magazine, should first put its own house in order. Despite its splendid facilities and its cafeteria, the Design Centre in the Haymarket contains no public lavatory in its three floors.

#### Mass transit

Sir Alfred Sherman (yes, it's him again), not content with his scheme to turn Marylebone station into coach terminal and convert the railway tracks into bus lanes - modestly codenamed "Shermanway" - is now involved in highlevel talks about taking over the two "slow" lines from Paddington. The plan is for the National Bus Company, along with British Airways and the as yet unap-proached British Rail, to introduce a fast coach link with Heathrow. Passengers would check in baggage and get tickets at Paddington and have no further contact with officialdom (apart from Customs) until arriving at their destinations. Sir Alfred, who is uncharacteristically seeking Labour Party support on the ground that the scheme "will serve the masses" reckons the journey time would be no more than 20 minutes. London Transport might have something to say about it. in 1977 LT spent £30m on a Piccadilly Line extension so passengers could "fly the Tube" to Heathrow, and, of course, BR recently unveiled plans for their own

# Phone tapping: plug this gap

The House of Lords can do the Government a favour in the next few days when it debates the Telecommunications Bill, and in particular the ever-sensitive subject of telephone tapping. It can spare the Government an embarrassing repudiation by the European Court of Human Rights by bringing the regulation of tapping in Britain within the terms of the European Conven-

tion on Human Rights. Before the Lords will be a new clause to the Bill, prepared and sponsored by the Post Office Engineering Union (POEU), which is designed to bring tapping, for the first time, within a clear framework of law and accountability. The POEU, whose members work in every aspect of the British telecommunications system, has campaigned for such a law since 1980:

The POEU is not opposed to telephone tapping per se. We accept that it can, and should, be used as an effective instrument to combat serious crime and espionage. But we believe that recourse to tapping should be exceptional, that each occasion should be strictly justified, and that the whole practice should be reviewable by the courts. At present our law is virtually silent on the subject and there is no accountability to Parliament or the courts.

That is why, in a tapping case brought by Mr James Malone, the European Commission on Human Rights has found the British government in breach of two provisions of the European Convention: Article 8, covering the right of individual privacy; and Article 13, concerning the right to a domestic remedy in the event of a



#### by Bryan Stanley

breach of the convention. The Malone case has now been referred by the European Commission to the European Court.

The POEU has made repeated efforts to promote changes in the law, Our most recent attempt, during the Commons committee stage on an earlier version of the Telecommunications Bill, was defeated only by the casting vote of the chairman.

On every occasion that we have promoted the new clause, we have warned the Government that the position on tapping in this country puts us in breach of the convention, but suggested that our proposals would probably correct this. On every

dismissed our constructive reforms. We have made sure that the European Court is aware of this.

Now that the Commission has found the UK to be in breach of the convention and the Court is about to make its judgment (oral hearings start next Monday), perhaps the Government will at last accept the POEU-sponsored clause in the Lords.

The union does not believe that all official telephone tapping falls within the Home Secretary's warrant procedure; we do not believe that the criteria used by the Home Secretary for the issue of warrants is sufficiently rigorous; and we do not believe that the procedures followed by the Home Secretary for issuing warrants are sufficiently independent and accountable.

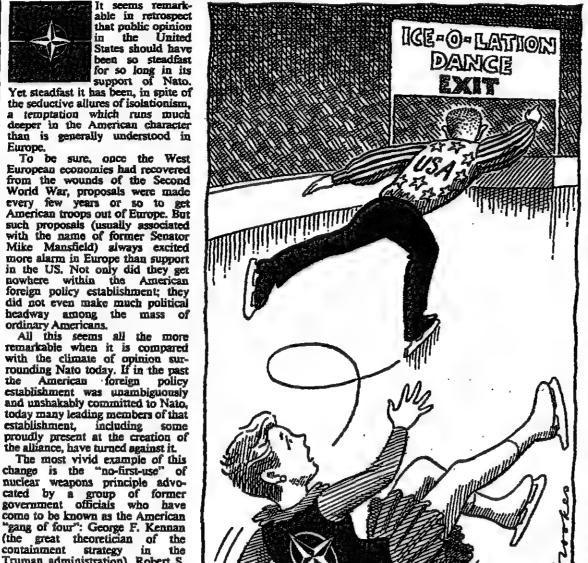
Nevertheless, for the sake of attracting maximum support in the Lords, the clause that we are promoting is a very modest one. We are seeking simply to give statutory force to exactly the same criteria which the Home Secretary insists he uses, and exactly the same procedures which he says he follows. This, then, concentrates the debate on the central issue: should tapping be subject to the rule of law and capable of review by the

The POEU does not accept that in a democratic society so totalitarian a power as telephone tapping should be exercised in a manner which is manifestly outside the European Convention and effectively above

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#### 35 years of Nato: Norman Podhoretz calls for greater support for Washington's

policy worldwide to halt the steady American drift to isolationism



# Blame yourself if the US goes it alone

from Nato would play a more into a "minimum deterrence" forceful and energetic role in posture (which is the nuclear-age countering Soviet expansionism.
Since this is the last thing the "gang of four" would like to see the US do, one has to distinguish between their brand of isolationism and Kristol's go-it-alone strategy. Yet these two schools of thought, so antagonistic in their objectives, are equally dangerous to Nato.

Thus, for the first time in its history, Nato now confronts a loss of support and even serious opposition from influential segments both of the US foreign policy establishment and of the intellectual community. To make matters worse, the alliance also confronts a growing degree of resentment within the populace at large. Night after night, seeing demonstrators on television vilify the United States for agreeing 10 deploy intermediate-range nuclear missiles in Europe, more and more Americans have begun wondering out loud why "we should have to beg those people to let us defend

This is certainly one reason why the American "freeze" movement, which calls for an immediate halt ("mutual and verifiable", goes the pious and politically prudent quali-fier) to the building and deployment of nuclear weapons, is so popular even among voters not normally given to dovish, let alone pacifist, sentiments. For in the present state of the military balance between the United States and the Soviet Union. a freeze would all but dissolve the American guarantee to Europe.

On the one hand, it would prevent deployment of the intermediaterange missiles from going any further, thus "decoupling" Western Europe and the United States; on that the Europeans would take on the other hand, it would prevent this responsibility. But he is modernization of the American confident that a US disentangled strategic force, thus forcing the US posture (which is the nuclear-age equivalent of a "Fortress America" strategy and consistent only with an isolationalist foreign policy).

Do these changes in American public opinion mean that Nato is doomed? Not quite. If the survey data can be trusted, most Americans still regard the isolationist temptation as a delusion. Since I count myself among them, and since I think my own feelings are reasonably representative, let me speak personally here instead of trying to read the entrails of the public opinion polls.

It is not because I am immune to the seductive power of the isola-tionist temptation that I resist it. I resist because I believe that an American withdrawal from the western alliance would result not as some of my political friends and allies predict - in an assumption by the Europeans of the responsibilities and burdens of self-defence, but rather in a collapse in the face of Soviet power.

Far from envisaging a rise in the production of troops, tanks and missiles. I foresee an increase in the number of neutralists, pacifists and appeasers, leading ultimately to a condition of political subordination to the Soviet Union which has come to be called "Finlandization", but which I prefer to call "Red Vichyism" – all without a shot having been fired.

This would be calamity enough, but even this would not be an end of it. For I cannot see how freedom and democracy in the United States could survive their demise in Western Europe. Trotsky used to say that socialism could not exist in one country. No more can democracy. Isolated behind a wall of nuclear missiles in a world increasingly shaped by the influence and the will of the Soviet Union, the United States would in my opinion be unable to hold on for long to its own political culture. There too the number of appeasers would rise as the power of the nation declined, with Red Vichyism coming to look like the safest of all political In defending Nato in these terms,

which amount to saying that the United States is now mainly bound to Western Europe as a kind of hostage, I am poignantly aware of how wan, how lacking in vitality, the case has become. But what else can one do? Like millions of other Americans, I have grown more and more to resent the apparent absence in Western Europe of any enthusi-asm for the alliance, or any appreciation of its achievement in preserving both the peace and the freedom of the countries living behind its shield.

We are repeatedly told that there is a "silent majority" in Europe and again, if the polls can be trusted, a very large one - that does appreciate these things. But mostly we hear from the raucous minority, and what we hear is foul and offensive: that the United States is as bad as, or worse than, the Soviet Union, and that Ronald Reagan is a greater threat to the peace of the world than was Yuri Andropov.

#### Support is a two-way process

Even when this preposterous neutralism, or the pernicious hatred of America that often goes with it, is challenged by Europeans, it is usually done in language that seems weak and defensive, for example, "as between Moscow and Washington, on the whole, and with all due reluctance, I suppose I prefer Washington".

This kind of thing has already begun taking the heart out of American backing for Nato. For the fact is that Americans who support Nato need the support of European supporters of Nato. We need to hear from those Europeans who know that the free world is a reality and not counterfeit, to be referred to sardonically in inverted commas; that its institutions represent an immense human achievement not easily duplicated; that its survival is threatened by an imperialism fully comparable in political, moral and military terms to Nazi Germany in the late 1930s; and that the future of liberty and democracy depends on the power and resolve of the United States, not in Europe alone but in such other vital areas as the Middle East and Central America.

These were the ideas which gave birth to Nato 35 years ago. They are as valid today as they were then; indeed, they are made even more compelling today by the tilt in the military balance away from the States and towards the Soviet Union.

Since to some degree the rise of neutralism in Europe and of its isolationist cousin in the United States is a frightened response to this development, the first order of business must be a military build-up aimed at creating a greater sense of western security. And if, as many advocate, such a build-up should include a strengthening of the conventional forces of the West along with a modernization of its nuclear arsenal, so much the better,

But military measures are not enough. They will have to be accompanied by a more positive European affirmation of solidarity with the United States in areas outside the jurisdiction of Nato, especially the Middle East and

Otherwise, the isolationist temptation will prove impossible to resist, even for Americans like myself. Though we believe that isolationism is not a viable policy, if the only alternative is being dragged down by our allies, even we would be forced to take our chances at tryitig to go it alone.

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# Making the grades for university

In his introduction to the 21st report of UCCA (the Universities Central Council on Admissions) the chairman, Dr Harry Kay, drew attention to the fact that, despite an increase in the number of home candidates, the number accepted has decreased by about 5,000 in the last two years since the government's "cuts upon the universities" in July 1981. In consequence, the qualifications of accepted candidates have been pushed up, and Dr Kay believes that "the increasing emphasis that has to be placed upon examination grades is to be regretted."

This is especially so, he adds, when it is borne in mind that the school-leaving examinations (A-levels) were not designed for purposes of university selection, and that fine shades of difference between grades are having to carry more significance than was intended when the grading system was

designed."
Yet at the moment Dr Kay was declaring that too much hinges on A-levels, with the result that well qualified candidates are rejected, Emmanuel College, Cambridge, has unilaterally announced that it is withdrawing from the Cambridge colleges' own entrance examination, and intends in future to use the A-level result as the only written test for candidates.

In practice, since Oxford and Cambridge can pick and choose, this will mean that the minimum requirement for success at Emmanuel will be three grade A results at A-level. The successful candidate will be chosen from those with this basic qualification on head teachers' reports and by college interviews, (Two kinds of interviews, I understand, are planned: one strictly academic, the other designed to explore personality and motivation. These interviews are intended to sort out candidates with broader intellectual and cultural curiosity from those who might be described as swots.)

The primary object of all this is social it is intended to make entry easier for clever candidates from maintained schools (who do not have the same facilities as candi-dates from independent schools to prepare for the special Oxbridge examinations) to compete on A-levels. Emmanuel also justifies the decision on the grounds that, in its tutors' own experience, A-level grades are a better indicator of ultimate Tripos performance than

are Cambridge examination results. Now the contrast between Emmaquel's switch to the criterion of A-level grades and Dr Kay's worries about rejection by A-level grades may be less sharp in the reality than in appearance. The grade A in this examination is the broadest of the bands, covering marks of from (say) 72 per cent to 98 per cent, which will give Emmanuel a substantial reservoir to choose from. Dr Kay's complaint was rather about the need of other universities to turn away applicants on the narrower distinctions between grades B, C and D marks.

Even so, both attitudes raise the question where the A level emphasis most academics believe that in the next two or three years, other Cambridge colleges and then probably Oxford will have to follow Emmanuel. The effect of both the dropping of the seventh term entrance examination at Oxford (also designed to help the state schools) and the switch to A-levels for Oxbridge entrance will be to drive schools (not least the independents) to push young people into intensive A-level preparations, perhaps inducing the mental attitowards the Oxbridge pinnacle of the university system.

In our competitive system, the A-level demands each university can make for entrance depend on its popularity and standing. Oxford and Cambridge are understandably over-subscribed because of their history, charm, beauty and a long. established reputation for academic excellence. In contrast, many of the other universities, with teaching as good, suffer from often hasty and charmless post-Robbins expansion,

The Robbins report on higher education in 1963 recommended expansion, not on the basis of the need for different kinds of skill which was thought to be unpredictable, but on an estimate of the number of people able to benefit from, and likely to apply for, higher education. It was, as Lord Robbins said, an estimate of the supply of potential talent rather than of the demand for certifiable skills.

The total number of undergraduates and postgraduates in higher education (including polytechnics) today is 550,000 compared with the Robbins projection of 560,000 in 1930 and 216,000 in the year of the Robbins report. (By the 1990s it will be down to 480,000 in consequence of the diminishing

university age group.)
Underlying Robbins was the idea that boys and girls deemed by a university to be qualified to enter it by that university's own standards (subject to the basic "matriculation" condition of two grade E results at A-level) should be paid for by the state on an arrangement for means. testing parents. But how far should this principle be sustained if it led to the level of the required grades being reduced by the least popular institutions to maintain their own numbers and existence?

Is it right also that our universities should have such a pecking order with Oxford and Cambridge on their increasingly meritocratic height, demanding and getting three A grades as minimum? What is to be done at the lower end of the ladder, how big should the university population be (there are at present 3.4 per cent of 18-year-olds in higher education)? In the 1990s, are institutions to be closed, or standards lowered as numbers fall?

Giving evidence to the Commission on Oxford University two decades ago, Lord Robbins himself made it quite clear that he did not like the idea that Oxford would become a strictly academic elite, though he obviously thought this bard to avoid. (Such clites, he thought, were for postgraduates rather than undergraduates.) He thought the old days not all that bad when people were admitted for prowess other than academic. But what is to happen to that notion at Oxbridge now?

In the schools, we shall probably get still more intensive cramming A levels. In the end, teachers may begin to revolt against it. So, indeed, may the pupils; some of the more interesting and intelligent (but less heavily academic) characters, believing that Oxbridge is full of where. The rigorous emphasis on A level grades in place of the screndipity which governs a great deal of Oxbridge entry (to the advantage of other universities) may be self-correcting. Or it may not I have no answers to offer to the questions raised in this article, but that is no reason why the universities and the Department of Education and Science should not begin to think more intensely about the principles on which they think they are functioning.

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#### **Paul Pickering**

# They're not hooked on hamsters here

I am assured by my Chinese friends can include any old rodent and is a time for rejoicing. But up in the wintry suburbs of North-west London shovels are poised for the first rustlings of a furry fiend.

A plague of Syrian golden hamsters, quite undisturbed by traps, frost or poison, has terrorized Hook Walk on the Burnt Oak estate for the past few years. They often wake up in February to look for a crunchy three piece suite. "The creatures move into houses when it gets really cold", said councillor Jim Brophy with a sigh. "We have tried digging them out, but it's extremely hard to find them. They are very, very clever."
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One pensioner dispatched hundreds with an air rifle with telescopic sights in the long summer "season", while other residents put up steel shutters and barricades on doors. Mrs Lilly Dean left her house screaming "Thirty-seven of them got into her settee and eight into her armchair," said Mr Brophy, obviously a man for statistics. Once the beasts are installed in the furniture they pop out after dark to menace the householder who has probably just settled down with a mug of Horlicks to watch Terry Wogan. The Hook Walk hamster may have the body of a second-hand toupee, but together they have the collective soul of Genghis Khan.

"Cats don't want to know. In my opinion a cat could not cope with one because they're so wild," said Mr Brophy. "People are terrified of them." Now there is even talk that these "superhamsters" have escaped from the Colindale "germ lab".

When brain damaged hamsters with a nerve virus escaped from Yale University last year, frightened people living in faraway New York jammed radio station switchboards asking for advice. And a national meeting of our Women's Institute condemned the implanting of Japan. The idea of marauding Burnt Oak

Hamloids, half-man and half-hamster, infesting Tokyo sans culottes was too much for the ladies

Yet despite this primeval loathing, the idea that Ministry of Defence boffins are developing an SAS Attack Hamster is probably fat fetched. The Russians are so short of protein that before one could say Welcome Comrade Lemming they would be between the blinis.

The beast does seem to be here to stay: "They push out the local rats and mice", said Mr John Burton, of the Flora and Fauna Preservation Society. "There have been eight of nine hamster outbreaks like the ones at Burnt Oak or Bury St Edmunds. Hamsters appear to like towns and they would tend, I think, to move into London.

"But I wouldn't say they were superhamsters. They are used to low temperatures at night in Syria, and all I can conclude is that the people on Hook Walk must have very soft

"Theoretically, they could spread throughout the country," said eminent naturalist Sir Christopher Lever. "The reaction of the people in Burnt Oak is a normal householders' reaction. One is always hearing unsubstantiated stories of minks attacking babies. If an animal does not run away, people think it dangerous. But all a hamster will give you is a nasty nip."

Sir Christopher pointed out that the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act does not include ravening harnsters and so the forces of law and order are powerless 25 the determined animals march south into Finchley, unaware they are entering Mrs Thatcher's constituency.

"The best way to stop them is 10 feed them oatmeal mixed with plaster of Paris," said Mr Brophyli's the only way to kill them." The Prime Minister is of course an human cells into hamsters' bodies in more of the beasts are awakening in

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#### THE CLEAN BREAK

Today the House of Commons, will have its first opportunity to consider the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Bill. So far the Bill has had a charmed life: it has come through the Lords virtually unscathed. It does not deserve the same fate in the Commons. The Bill proposes useful reforms, but it has deficiencies. Nowhere are these more apparent than in its provisions for a "clean break" after divorce.

The Bill proposes that a court faced with a financial application after divorce should consider in every case whether it would be appropriate to make an order finally terminating the parties' obligations towards one another, either at once or after a period of adjustment. This is the principle of the clean break. It represents an important change of direction for our matrimonial law.

The present statute requires the court, in making a financial award after a divorce, to try to place the parties in the same financial position as they would have been in had the marriage continued. This creates a statutory objective which embodies a principle of life-long maintenance at the standard enjoyed during the marriage. Such a principle may have made sense at a time when divorce was exceptional and required proof of a matrimonial offence; but it is hard to justify today, when divorce is common and a unworkable in practice: few husbands have the resources to

families) out of one income, still less to support the first one at its previous level. The Bill rightly proposes the abolition of this statutory objective.

The policy of the clean break, with its idea that there should be a once and for all division of the matrimonial property, accompanied by a termination of mutual maintenance obligations between the spouses, is theoretically an attractive one. Its aim is for the parties to become financially self-sufficient and independent of one another, so enabling them to put their past behind them and start a new life which is not handicapped by their previous failed relationship.

In reality, however, the clean break can only rarely be accomplished without causing injustice to the wife. In the great majority of cases, a wife suffers economically by marriage as a result of putting the interests of her husband and the children before her job and her economic independence. There is evidence that it is the break in a woman's working life, coupled with her family role, that accounts for the greatest difference in her earning capacity compared with that of a man. Even if she is later able to resume work and earn enough to keep herself, there will usually have been a permanent impairment of her earning capacity.

The Bill wholly fails to face this problem. It simply leaves it husband may find himself div- to the court to decide whether it orced without fault on his part. would be "appropriate" to im-What is more, the statutory pose a clean break. The Bill's objective has proved quite promoters suggest that the type of case in which the court would wish to impose a clean break support two homes (often two would be the short, childless

marriage between young people, or the marriage where there is enough capital to provide adequately for both parties in the future. Both cases would indeed be admirable candidates for a clean break order, and indeed they are precisely the cases where the court already tries to achieve such an order, provided the wife consents: but, once the present statutory objective has been removed, a wide range of other cases could well be subjected to the clean break policy. In view of the superficial consideration that this major policy change, with its inherent risks, has received, it is little wonder that the women's organisations are apprehensive.

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Proper guidelines are needed if the Bill is not to create the risk of serious injustice. The person at risk is less the woman with young children to look after, or the woman who, after a long marriage, has no reasonable prospect of supporting herself, than the woman who is capable of earning a living, but whose earning capacity has been stunted by the marriage.

Where it can be demonstrated to be practicable, the clean break is an admirable objective. Any remedy which helps to remove the rancour and bitterness generated by a continuing maintenance liability, itself subject to variation of further applications to the court, must obviously be sensible and in the public interest. But if this Bill is not merely to replace one kind of injustice for another it is vital for Parliament to give proper consideration to the grave practical problems involved in translating this laudable ideal into a workable and just reality.

#### SOLEMN BUT SELDOM BINDING

All that has occurred since the guarantee against such a recur- individual employment con-Foreign Secretary first announced the plan to de-unionize the work-force at GCHQ Cheltenham reinforces the point that, however maladroitly he may have gone about the politics of his decision, it was fundamentally right. The Cheltenham Government should give serious cannot call upon the union in operation is deemed to be crucial to our national security. It assurances the trade unions or questions of career planning should be shrouded in decent could offer in order to make and cannot communicate any obscurity in order to conduct its arrangements at Cheltenham business successfully without the totally effective. Trade union glare of controversy. Yet it has become the flavour of the month for anybody and everybody with a taste for criticizing the present Government, for insensitivity (a are likely to be more. Meanwhile backbencher), inhumanity (a bishop), despotism (the leader of the Opposition) or unionbashing (the trade unionists one

Responsibility for that state of affairs cannot be solely laid at the feet of the Foreign Secretary. The action he proposed was provoked initially by the fact that trade union disruption had previously and deliberately deprived the country of this vital service of intelligence; and on many critical occasions. On grounds of national security there was thus a paramount need to prevent such disruption recurring at Cheltenham; but so long as the trade unions have any official presence in that establishment, or pretext for discussing any of its arrangements, there could be no lasting

rence.

Yesterday the Select Comleaders have already held discussions with ministers and with Sir Robert Armstrong, the Secretary of the Cabinet; and there the Government is right to reject the formula put up by the select committee. The sole test ministers should continue to apply, is what arrangements are necessary to guarantee the security of supply of vital signals and electronic intelligence in fact as well as theory.

A solemn and binding covenant by trade union leaders is certainly not enough, where national security is involved. The trade unions might be prepared to offer a no-strike agreement and there is existing statutory provision for such a solution, under section 18 (4) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 which makes collective agreements prohibiting strikes and disruption legally binding if they are in writing. They can be incorporated into

tracts. But the most the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secmittee on Employment criticized retary can offer the unions is an the Government for its handling arrangement whereby the civil of the affair, it put forward six servants at GCHQ can be recommendations which in- permitted to remain members of cluded a suggestion that the a union, as individuals, but study to whatever legally binding any dispute over pay. conditions, information to that union about the life and work of GCHO.

Each Cheltenham official would thus be bound by an individual contract stipulating instant dismissal if any kind of industrial disruption attempted. Each individual's membership of a union would thus be preserved, but only in such conditions that it would be almost entirely symbolic. The one benefit they would receive from such membership would be that they would be paying a subscription to an organization which, through its civil servicewide negotiations, would determine the salary paid to its members. No other service could be offered by the union to any of its members at Cheltenham without breaching the security requirement set out by the Foreign Secretary, and amply justified by the unfortunate exposure which Cheltenham has received in recent weeks. It may seem a high price to pay for a symbol but the officers of MI5 and Mi6 are without even that.

#### **FUEL FOR FEAR**

Over the past 10 years the nuclear waste treatment plant at Sellafield has suffered a series of leakages of radioactive materials which should have been isolated securely in special reservoirs and tanks. The latest incident which was the subject of harsh criticism yesterday by two of the Government's safety inspectors can only have damaged the confidence of ordinary people in the activities of the nuclear industry.

Some changes in senior management have now been made by British Nuclear Fuels to correct deficiencies in supervision at the plant identified in the inquiry. Similarly, new electronic alarms and alterations in the methods of processing waste radioactive liquors are being introduced to avoid a repetition of the incident. Yet these actions cover only the superficial matters exposed by the investigations of the Health and Safety Executive and the Department of the Environment. With the benefit of hindsight it is easy to complain about shortcomings in the nuclear industry, or for that matter those of other commercial activities which have been shown belatedly to be a source of environmental pollution. However in the case of the development of nuclear power the troubles arising from the disposal of radioactive waste are not a question of wisdom after

For instance, eight years ago

the Royal Commission on Environmental Pollution concluded that there should be no commitment to a large programme of nuclear power until it was demonstrated beyond reasonable doubt that a method existed for ensuring the safe handling of radioactive wastes for the indefinite future. Most of the issues causing concern and the gaps in understanding which that study revealed exist still, and the incident at Sellafield only serves to reinforce the doubts which those raised. The contamination was caused by an accidental discharge during maintenance work. A quantity of radioactive material escaped via an effluent pipe line into the Irish Sea through which the company is permitted to emit a limited amount of low level radioactive waste liquid. Because of the unusual circumstances the waste contained a large concentration of organic chemical solvent which is not normally discarded and the principal radioactive material was in the

form of a scum referred to as crud. It was this pool of solvent and radioactive materials it brought to the surface which contaminated the beaches and other objects. As it was not a mixture of waste that was handled normally there was no information from past experience for predicting that it would behave in this way.

British Nuclear Fuels may think it a cruel irony that the contamination was detected quickly only because the Greenpeace environmental group were staging a protest by the effluent pineline and their dinghies were polluted. But that should not detract from the lesson that knowledge about the behaviour of materials released to the environment is far from complete and that also applies to the techniques intended to store

them securely. There is a clear need for a significant programme of fundamental research by environmental scientists into the factors which influence the behaviour of radioactive wastes over the short and long term. Until then materials from defence waste and nuclear power stations, both those operating and those under construction, cannot be handled with full confidence.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Disaster area' for the homeless

From Lord Hylton and others Sir, On Wednesday, February 8, the House of Lords debated the increasing number homeless in England and Wales, estimated now t about 74,000 households, or some 170,000 people. Of these probably a quarter are in Greater London and the single homeless are almost certainly underestimated. Several new and original proposals were

The Government should declare Greater London and its immediate surrounds a national disaster area as regards homelessness. It should appoint a special commissioner with wide powers and his own independent budget.
The commissioner's first task

might well be to mobilize housing, so that it is no longer necessary for local authorities to place homeless families, at great cost, in unsuitable

bed-and-breakfast premises. To this end he should be empowered, if necessary and subject to proper safeguards, to requisition vacant property, including houses belonging to statutory bodies and void Housing Revenue Account dwellings, also empty privately owned premises. (In 1981 there were 121,000 vacant public sector hous-

A second task for the commissioner should be to stimulate greater housing and care for the single homeless.

Action is also needed outside London. It might take the form of local consortia for housing and care. The present separation of powers could be overcome if the following were brought together at district level: The housing authority, social services, the area health authority. also housing associations and other appropriate statutory services and voluntary bodies.

An independent chairman seems desirable to help make such a local consortium effective as a co-ordinator and catalyst. This proposal is based on experiments already tried in Oxford City and does not require legislation.

Nationally, "assured" tenancies ader the 1980 Housing Act should be adapted to provide both new and rehabilitated houses for homeless low-income people. These could be financed by an extension of the

DHSS 'high-rent' scheme.
The priority groups under the Housing (Homeless Persons) Act, 1977, should be immediately enlarged to include young people aged 16 to 18 who are leaving local authority care, or who for some particular reason are unable to live with their parents. There can be few others more at risk of lifelong damage.

As soon as possible the priority groups under the 1977 Act should embrace single homeless people over 50 and within a few years the over-

Some 18 years have passed since the epoch-making film Cathy Come Home. The condition of the homeless remains painfully acute. We therefore commend these proposals to Government and to the relevant statutory and voluntary bodies.

Yours faithfully. HYLTON, JANE EWART-BIGGS, KILMARNOCK, House of Lords. February 13.

#### Soviet ideology

From Dr J. I. Gleisner

Sir, Alexander Zinoviev is without doubt a very clever man, but his views on Soviet affairs must be treated with caution. I will take just two of the arguments he advanced in the course of being interviewed by Alan Hamilton (January 19) and show where, in my opinion, he goes

While Professor Zinoviev is right to emphasize the enormous role ideology plays in Soviet society. he is certainly wrong to imply that the ideology is monolithic and so probably guilty of exaggeration when he says that nobody any longer believes in it.

It is simply not true to say that a single ideology exists in the Soviet Union today. Professor Moshe Lewin is only summarizing the results of recent research when he writes, in a foreword to Basil Kerbiay's recently translated study, Modern Soviet Society, that "More than one ideology, a mixture of modes of thinking and frames of reference, coexist not only in society. at large but also inside the party and

the leadership" (p.XXV).
In recent decades the ideology has divergent ways of thinking as the leadership seeks, pragmatically, to respond to the problems involved in ruling an increasingly complex and diversified society. There is every likelihood, therefore, that the ideology also incorporates at least some of the things Soviet people believe in

and some evidence, too, to suggest that it does. If. as many Sovietologists, includ-

ing myself, believe, there is more than one ideology in use, then Professor Zinoviev's gloomy prognosis must also be qualified. The forces of inertia are indeed great although their roots are, in my opinion, more historical than structural - but neither should we underestimate the learning capacity of the Soviet leadership, or its capacity to surprise.

If allowance is also made for the fact that political decisions in the Soviet Union today are increasingly the outcome of clashes of interest and compromise between different points of view then the Soviet future becomes a good deal less predictable and more open than Professor Zinoviev seems to allow.

No, Professor Zinoviev's principal achievement in The Reality of Communism, I suggest, lies elsewhere; to wit, in describing in convincing detail the myriad ways in which the Soviet population contributes to its own ensertment on account, largely, of the interpen-etration of regime and society peculiar to modern dictatorships.

My complaint is that he refuses to government and society may interact productively as well, Yours sincerely, J. I. GLEISNER, Department of Politics, The University of Leeds, Leeds. February 7.

#### Dust of battle

From Mr John Goodwin

Sir, I admired Roy Strong's elegantly argued piece about diaries (February 4). His preference for those that record the customs, dress, food and so on of an earlier age will not surprise anyone who knows him. What's interesting is that Dr

Strong, a renowned historian as well as much else, shows none the less little relish for the grittier and equally valuable diaries that deal with the controversial events of our own time. He laments that Peter Hall's Diaries which I edited, though they "lift the curtain as never before on the world of the subsidised arts", present battles and intrigues instead "visions of aesthetic loveliness and delight" - thus destroying the

theatre's magic.
But feuds and personality clashes are part of any considerable activity. They seldom detract from whatever glitter that activity may possess. Renaissance art ravishes despite the political machinations of the Borgias; indeed, they, too, fascinate. Nearer home, Dr Strong would probably be the first to welcome the memoirs of an actor at Shakespeare's Globe, especially if he had lifted the lid on the intrigues that must have existed then.

Another aspect of contemporary diaries which Dr Strong resists is the shortening space of time between the last entry and publication. But in that, to me, lies their moral edge. Diaries, if worth anything at all, tell the truth as the diarist sees it. This may cause pain to some people. But at least they can answer back. It is a strange courtesy that waits for a man's death before attacking him.

Time in custody

From the Chairman of Council of The Magistrates' Association Sir. Under present law the police are obliged to bring a suspect before a court "as soon as practicable". The Magistrates' Association are firmly of the view that this imprecision should be remedied. We therefore support those sections of the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill which require most suspects in custody to be charged and released within 24

hours. The figures for those at present released before 24 hours indicate that less than 2 per cent of detainees, suspected of serious crimes of grave danger to the public, would need to

be kept for longer.
The Bill, for the first time. introduces a judicial review of detention. The Magistrates' Association is strongly supportive of the provision that if the police need to detain a suspect beyond 36 hours without charge an inter-partes willingness to sit in courts, specially

Woolf's is mysteriously true. "Nothing has really happened until it is recorded", she said. Yours etc. JOHN GOODWIN, National Theatre of Great Britain,

South Bank, SEI. February 8.

#### **Future of Antarctic** From the Chairman of Greenpeace

Sir, We have followed the emerging debate on the Antarctic in your columns with interest.

The closed nature of the present Antarctic Treaty system presents not only a moral dilemma, but also and environmental dilemmas which the Antarctic Treaty nations will, sooner or later, have to face up to. Secrecy breeds distrust, and it is

plain that there is a good deal of distrust of the Antarctic Treaty consultative parties from both the international community and the environmental movement. The main criterion for member-

ship of the "inner sanctum" of the Antarctic Treaty is substantial scientific research in the Antarctic. Is this the best basis for choosing which nations should decide the distribution of economic benefits?

We fear the closed nature of the system leads to bad decisions which are not subject to review.

The recent publicity over the French airstrip project in the Antarctic, which we believe has breached the agreed measures for the protection of Antarctic fauna

application must be made to a magistrates' court. The suspect could be both present and represented at the hearing.

Amendments to the Bill have

been tabled to bring forward the latest time at which application could be made to a court from 36 to 24 hours. This would, we believe, impose serious difficulties for the police and for the courts. The police have a job to do and must be given enough time to investigate whether the reasonable suspicion which is adequate for arrest can be translated into a prima-facie case.

This initial step in justice for the suspect would be difficult to complete in the shorter time which would, in addition, be interrupted to prepare for and attend the court. Moreover, the hearing might well involve the disclosure of the police case at such an early stage as to prejudice the conduct of an investigation.

Justices have expressed their

#### British Telecom licence control

From the Chairman of British Telecommunications

Sir, Kenneth Fleet's article (February 9), entitled "Lords pursue the details of BT's private affair," on the Bill to privatise British Telecom concludes with a warning that 'retreats and modifications" now by the Government would hamper the biggest ever flotation of shares.

I welcome that warning, but I hope that Mr Fleet is totally wrong when he says that the Government may be forced to concede parliamentary control of BT's operating

The issue here is not whether BT's licence should be capable of review and amendment, since that principle is already enshrined in the Bill (clauses 12, 13 and 15); but rather the best method of meeting this requirement in the context of a policy of competition and privatis-

Those who seek to remove the Director General of Telecommuni-cations power to change the licence once granted are not strengthening his regulatory authority - they are weakening it by removing his ability to introduce new rules to prevent abuse or to amend licences in an impartial and flexible way, in the light of experience or following reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

The inevitable consequence of parliamentary control over an operating licence would be to place a minister in the position of having to take responsibility for and explain to Parliament the activities of a major public limited company.

That would clearly be wholly inappropriate and the antithesis of one of the Government's cornerstones of privatisation policy, namely the freeing of a trading industry from the web of Government interference and control.

It is not clear what Mr Fleet means when he says "Lord Weinstock of GEC wants genuine rather than cosmetic competition". There are those who would argue that "cosmetic competition" is exactly what some of Britain's telecom-

#### Countryside heritage

From Dr Martin Bell

Sir, Recent letters to The Times by

important archaeologically; they often contain animal or plant communities worthy of conserpollen) which can provide infor-mation on landscape history. Similarly the hedgerows and

A seductive statement of Virginia ancient woodlands, the destruction

#### and flora, is a case in point. It was only because of the vigilance of a few scientists and environmentalists that the facts of this case were ever made public.

Where economic factors are also involved, such as in the case of mining of drilling for oil, it is even more important that all who feel their interests impinged on can participalt.

It is clear that the legitimate concerns of these other participants in the debate cannot be ignored for ever. A means must be found for allowing their voices to be heard.

This could be done, if the will were there, within the context of the existing Antarctic Treaty system, and need not depend on a renegotiation, with uncertain results.

History, however, may yet prove that the most sensible decision would have been to leave the Antarctic as it is - a vast, beautiful wilderness, the domain of its wildlife and its scientists. Yours faithfully,

DAVID McTAGGART, Chairman, Greenpeace International, Temple House, High Street,

Lewes, East Sussex

February 14.

convened, during hours much extended beyond normal court times as required by the expiry of any 36 hours. They are, however, aware of serious practical and administrative difficulties involved in the 24-hour proposal which would be exacerbated by the greater number of suspects in respect of whom a court application would have to be made. Moreover, suspects might quite properly be brought at 24 hours when, by 36 hours, further investigation could indicate that the detention was no longer necessary.

Magistrates therefore strongly

support the 36-hour period as adequate for the initial police enquiry and acceptable for those suspected of serious offences. It is fairly poised between the need to protect the public and to safeguard the liberty of the subject. Yours faithfully,

ENID RALPHS. Chairman of Council, The Magistrates' Association, 28 Fitzroy Square, W1.

munications manufacturers have enjoyed for too many years in their position as suppliers to BT. It is understandable that they should be nervous about a change in the status of what has become virtually their sole customer for some sectors of their products. But this is quite different from the interests of competition and telecommunications users in the United

Kingdom.

Those who have examined the Government's competition policy will perceive that they are in fact licensing competition in almost every aspect of British Telecom's operations. The licence, supervised by the Director General of Telecommunications, will prevent British

Telecom from competing unfairly. Already many of our customers are enjoying the benefits of improved service that the new disciplines have produced. It would be a pity if, at this stage, the debate became muddled by a strange alliance of those who oppose any form of change and those who want totally unbridled competition irres-

pective of social needs. I welcome the stimulus that competition has already given to the UK telecommunications market. Cowering in the corner and calling for protection never won a bout. We in BT are determined to go out and do our best to serve our customers in the competitive environment which a combination of Government policies, technological advances and market requirements is

rapidly creating.
We have also shown our faith in British industry by the huge sums of money we are continually spending with it. We believe that the UK industry ought, in most cases, to be able to supply the internationally competitive products which our customers need and deserve.

So long as it produces the goods. our manufacturing industry has nothing to fear - and much to gain. Yours faithfully,

represent a progressive step it must

develop close ties with bodies responsible for the study and

conservation of the countryside and

work with them to formulate an integrated approach to conservation

of the heritage and its amenity

Archaeology Unit, Department of

Geography. Saint David's University College.

Sir, While I wholeheartedly agree

with Lord Melchett and others

(February 6), why limit the banning

of removal without specific consent

to hedgerows? There is a need for a

comprehensive strengthening of the

Town and Country Planning Acts so

that their provisions apply to natural

and man-made rural topographical features in the same way as to

a listed building or erect a 30-storey skyscraper on land he owns without

planning permission, why should an

agro-businessman be allowed to

bring hedges and woods under the

plough and eradicate important wildlife retreats like railway reserves

and meadows without the same

Sir. It was unfortunate that Sir.

I am, Sir. yours faithfully,

A. D. H. LEISHMAN,

If a city dweller cannot pull down

buildings and urban open space.

From Mr.A. D. H. Leishman

presentation to the public.

Yours faithfully,

MARTIN BELL

University of Wales, Lampeter, Dyfed.

GEORGE JEFFERSON, Chairman British Telecommunications, 2-12 Gresham Street, EC2. February 14.

Lord Melchett and others (February 6) and Mr Peter Addyman (February 9) have highlighted respectively the increasing destruction of the British countryside and its archaeological monuments. What they do not make clear is the urgent need for a more integrated approach to this problem.

Historically we have tended to conserve and legislate for wildlife and archaeology independently. Archaeologists have often pressed for the conservation of individual isolated sites. Now much more emphasis is being given to the conservation of derelict landscapes, such as settlements in association with their fields and funerary

Such landscapes are not just vation in their own right, together with biological evidence (e.g.,

of which Lord Melchett laments, are both havens for wildlife and an archaeological resource providing information on environmental history and former land-use.

If the Commission on Historic Buildings and Monuments, which begins work on April 1, is to

#### Southwell Noninghamshire. February 7.

Manchester

permission?

75 King Street,

Off the track From Mr J. L. Skade

David Hunt (February 11), condemning the use of superfluous words, should describe it as pointless pleonasm. Yours faithfully, J. L. SKADE. 103 St Ann's Road, Prestwich,

#### February 11. Curbs on smoking

From the Director of Action on Smoking and Health

Sir. You recently enabled me to reply to a personal attack by Mr Bernard Levin. Now Mr Levin has done it again (feature, January 20), repeating his unfounded assertion that I, among others, am a fanatic; and adding, by inference, the disgraceful invention that I deal in the language of hate".

I do not know what Mr Levin's problem is; and I am not sure I want to. I content myself that, since my last letter, a goodly number of cheques have arrived from readers who know full well that no one at ASH proposes "eliminating all smoking by law" and that the serious business of preventive medicine preds the suppost of all medicine needs the support of all responsible people. Yours faithfully,

DAVID SIMPSON, Director, Action on Smoking and Health, 5-11 Mortimer Street, W1.

#### Watch this space

From Mr R. M. Maxtone Graham Sir. In its 1979 sale, The Scotch House, Knightsbridge, offered what it called "Discontinued Tartans". I am not sure whether that was another example of the ephemeral nature of the modern family and its insignia (like "refillable wedding albums" in today's letter. February 11), or merely a further attempt at Highland Clearances. Yours faithfully.

ROBERT MAXTONE GRAHAM, 6 Moat Sole. Sandwich, Kent. February 11.

# COURT AND SOCIAL

February 21.

#### **COURT** CIRCULAR ·

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** February 15: His Excellency Mr Taher Massi and Mrs Massi were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his ap-pointment as Ambassador Extra-ordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Hadarmite Kingdom of Jordan

to the Court of St James's. Sir Sydney Giffard was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands on his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at

Lady Giffard had the honour of Miss Jane Egerton-Warburton had the honour of being received by The Queen when Her Majesty invested her with the Insignia of a Member of the Royal Victorian Oxfor (Fourth Close) rder (Fourth Class). Mr Peter Lazarus (Permanent

Secretary, Department of Transport) had the bonour of being received by The Queen.

The Right Hon Margaret Thatcher, MP (Prime Minister and

#### **Forthcoming** marriages

Mr M. C. Taely and Miss M. F. Stirling

The engagement is announced between Miles, only son of Mr R. C. Tuely and the late Mrs Tuely, of Stone-cum-Ebony, Tenterden, Kent, and Mary, youngest daughter of the late General Sir William Stirling and of Lady Stirling, of Saxham Hall, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.

Mr N. S. Brody and Miss A. B. Y. Vajda

The engagement is announced between Neal, younger son of Professor and Mrs Robert Brody, of Waterford, Connecticut, and Andrea, daughter of Mr and Mrs Stephen Vajda, of Oxshott, Surrey.

Mr A. C. Burgess and Miss T. H. Blewchamp

The engagement is announced between Alan, son of Mr and Mrs L. C. Burgess, of Hayes, Middlesex, and Tessa, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. Elewchamp of Verwood, Dorset. Mr A. G. Casswell

and Miss S. F. Vickers The engagement is announbetween Anthony Casswell, FRCS, only son of Commander and Mrs A. D. Casswell, of Burley, Hampshire, and Sarah Vickers, FRCS, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs H. R. Vickers, of Little Milton, Oxford.

Mr.J. Clark

and Miss C. Dorward The engagement is announced between ionathan, elder son of Mr. and Mrs M. W. O. Clark, of Radiett, Hertfordshire, and Colette, younger daughter of the late Mr Ivor Dorward and Mrs Priscilla Dorward, of Pollokshields, Glasgow.

Captain E. G. Kelway-Bamber and Miss L. L H. Morgan-Grenville

The engagement is announced between Euan Kelway-Bamber, Scots Guards, youngest son of the Late Colonel C. G. Kelway-Bamber and of Mrs C. G. Kelway-Bamber, and Laura, only daughter of Mr G. W. Morgan-Grenville and of Mrs Virginia Morgan-Grenville.

#### Birthdays today

Clarke. 52: Mr Anthony Dowell, 41; Sir Geraint Evans. 62; Lord Franks. John McEnroe 25; Sir Maitland Mackie, 72; Sir Michael Milne-Watson, 74; Sir John Peck, 71; Captain R E Dudley-Ryder, VC, 76; Mr John Schlesinger, 58; Sir Kenneth Setby, 70; Sir James Swaffield, 60: Professor Sir Ellis Waterhouse, 79; Mr Justice Webst-

#### War rooms to open

The Cabinet war rooms used by Sir Winston Churchill during the Second World War will be opto the public on a permanent basis from April 6. In the past the suite of rooms beneath 10 feet of concrete under government offices in Great George Street, Westminster, were opened only on rare

#### Actonian Prize

territory.

P. C. Wren.

validity.

The Actonian Prize for 1984 of the Royal Institution has been awarded to Dr Max Perutz, CH, for his work on species adaptation haemoglobin molecule.

A male soughird often has

That interpretation of song repertoires is known as the

Beau Geste hypothesis, since the resident bird's behaviour

recalls the defence of Fort

Zinderneuf in the novel by

The Beau Geste hypothesis

is expected to apply with particular force to birds such

as great tits and chaffinches that maintain territories in dense woodland. Here, the

bluff is more likely to go

andetected. Two zoologists from the University of Auck-

land, S. M. Dawson and P. F.

Jenkins, decided to make a

further test of the stratagem's

They chose to study the chaffinch, a species which was

introduced to New Zealand by

First Lord of the Treasury) had an The Duke of Ediaburgh will attend audience of Her Majesty this a luncheon given by Hamish evening.

Hamiston at Stationers' Hall on

KENSINGTON PALACE February 15: The Prince and Princess of Wates today visited Jaguar Cars Lad, Allesley, Coventry. Lieutenant-Colonel David Bromhead, Mrs George West and Mr Victor Chapman were in attend-

February 15: The Duchess of nat film at Gloucester, Patron, Asthma Research Council, was present at an The Duke "Evening of Fashion and Music" in undertake en aid of the Asthma Society and Friends of the Asthma Research Council at Drapers' Hall, London. Mrs Euan McCorquodale was in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

His Royal Highness this evening opened the "Treasures from Korea" Exhibition at the British Museum, London, WC1. Sir Richard Buckley was in

Mr A. W. Dilnot and Mins C. E. Morrish

Mr R. A. Jordan

Mr N. Herbert

and Miss S. Ferbes
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Mr I. G. F. Karsten

and Miss M. E. A. O'Here

Larry O'Hara, of Hatfield.

The engagement is announced between lan, elder son of De and

Mrs Frederick Karsten, of Ham-pstead, and Moira, younger daugh-

ter of Wing Commander and Mrs

Dr M. F. Murphy and Dr E. S. Green The engagement is announced between Michael, eldest son of Mr

Green, of West Kirby, Wirral

Mr J. P. Scott and Miss E. C. Hope of Laffaces

and Miss H. D. Kay

British Red Cross Youth, will visit the national headquarters of the society in Grosvenor Crescent on February 22. The Duke of Edinburgh, patron of

the Sail Training Association, will attend the première of a promotional film at Britannic House on The Duke of Edinburgh will undertake engagements in Tadcaster, Leeds and Bradford on February 24.

A memorial service for Mr John Le Mesurier will be held at the Actors' Church, St Paul's, Covent Garden,

at noon today.

A memorial service for Mr
Alasdair Clayre will be held at St
James's, Piccadilly, at 11.30 today. February 15: The Duke of Kent, as Chancellor, today visited Departments at the University of Surrey and lunched in the Students Union.

Alasdair Clayre will be held at St. James's, Piccadilly, at 11.30 today.

At the memorial service for Lord and lunched in the Students Union.

Garner held in Westminster Abbey on February 14 the Joint Common-markly Societies. on rentury 14 the Joint Common-wealth Societies' Council was represented by Viscount Tonypandy, the Royal Commonwealth Society by Sir Eric and Lady Norris, the Victoria League by Sir Harold and Lady Smedley, and the Ranfurly Library Services by Mrs S. Barnett.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas Shryane,

Captain N. A. Shryane and Miss P. R. Brashaw

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs A. W. J. Dilnot, of Sketty, 13th/18th Royal Hussars (QMO), Swansea, and Catherine, elder son of Mr and Mrs D. Shryane, of Cookham, Berkshire, Morrish, and of Mrs C. Morrish, of Redland, Bristol. Mr K. F. J. Guerrier and Miss A. M. Du Mr B. J. Unwip and Miss S. L. Gilbert The engagement is announced between Keith, son of Mrs S. Guerrier, of Sidmouth, Devon, and the late Mr H. Guerrier, and Annabel, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs C. J. Jerrard-Dunne, of Branksome Park, Poole, Dorset. The engagement is announced between Jim, youngest son of Major and Mrs R. D. Unwin, of Longdon Hall, Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire,

and Sue, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs G. D. Gilbert, of Yandina, Solomon Islands and Aston Rowant, Oxfordshire, The engagement is announced between Robert, son of Mr and Mrs The Rev W. D. N. Weir Neil M. Jordan, of Roundhay. Leeds, and Helen, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Marshall Kay, of Batley, West Yorkshire.

and Miss E. W. Llayd

The engagement is announced
between Niall, son of Mrs T. W. H. Weir and the late Dr T. W. H. Weir, of Hillsborough, co Down, and Elinor, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. W.Lloyd, of Llandaff, Glamor-

and Miss S. Ferbes
The engagement is announced between Nicholas, son of Mr Ivor Herbert, of Bradenham, and Mrs John Crockett, of Wyards Farm, Alton, and Serens, eldest daughter of Major Hamish Forbes and Mrs Jacyaths Forbes, of The Cottage, Hambleden, near Henley-on-Thames. Marriages Mr M. A. Brokmann

and Miss S. E. Manson

The marriage took place on Saturday, February II, at St Peter's church, Hambledon, Surrey, between Mr Maarten Brokmann, from Amsterdam, The Netherlands and Miss Susan Elizabeth Manson of Highlands, Godalming, Surrey. Mr J. D. T. Kirk

and Mrs A. P. Bedford-Roberts The marriage took place quietly in Cambridge on January 26 between Mr Joseph Dunn Telford Kirk and Mrs Ann Penclope Bedford-

Mr N. Ramas and Miss M. Campbell

Roberts

and Mrs A. F. Murphy, of Blundell Sands, Liverpool, and Sarah, daughter of Professor and Mrs L. L. The marriage took place in London on February 11 at the Church of St Olave, Hart Street, of Mr Nigel Livingstone Ramsay and Miss Marian Laura Campbell. Dr Philip Kinns was best man. A supper party was given later at Burgh House, Hampstead. The honeymoon will be

# The engagement is announced between Paddy, younger son of Mr M. M. scott and the late Mrs scott, and Caroline, daughter of Colones and Mrs Hope of Luffness. School appeals for funds

An appeal has been launched by Westminster School in London to fund the rebuilding of the science block, a computer and economics centre and a Sports centre.

Westminster, whose old boys include Mr Tony Benn, Mr Andrew Lloyd-Webber, Nigel Lawson, and Mr Peter Ustinov, is relatively poorly endowed for a public school. It receives a third of A. A. Milne's royalties through what is known as the Pooh fund, but it has few other endowments.

appeal committee, chaired by Lord Carr of Hadley, has raised £500,000 from old Westminsters and parents. It is now approaching companies, the livery companies and charitable trusts to fund its first priority, the rebuilding of the science block at a cost of £2.5m.

settlers, and which is now

common in coniferous wood-

new computer and economics centre costing £250,000 and the sports centre for £515,000. The money raised so far has been used for work on the new Westminster Under School and the library.

off help but to establish continue over the year 2,000.

After that, it plans to build a

# By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Mr Neil Mackay, the school's development officer and an Old Westminster, said: "The governors have recognized that because Westminster has very few endowments and no London sites, apart from the old playing field in south London, it is going to be always in a position of needing patronage and help.

relations with trusts and firms which will help the school

#### HM Government

HM Government
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, secretary of
State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a
luncheon at 1 Carlton Gardens,
yesterday, given in honour of the
Indianian Ambassador. lodanian Ambassador.

Mr Richard Luce, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, was host at a luncheon, at the Savoy Hotel yesterday, given in honour of the Ambassador of Mongolia.

Lunchtime Comment Club Mr R. W. P. Luff, City Surveyor of the Corporation of London, was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Lunchtime Comment Club held at the Connaught Rooms vesterday. Mr Basil Evans, chairman, presided

Coningsby Club
The Coningsby Club enterained Mr
Francis Pym, MP, at dinner, at the
Carlton Club, last night. Mr
Mitchell presided.

Reception Florence Nightingale Museum

Trest The trustees of the Florence Nightingale Museum held a reception yesterday evening at the Nightingale School, St Thoreas' Hospital, to launch an appeal. The guests were received by Sir David guests were received by Sir David Woodbine Parish, chairman of the trust. Those present included: Lord and Lady Arckiand. Lord Rayne, Lord and Lady Arckiand. Lord Rayne, Lord and Lady Seebohm, Professor Baroness McFariane of Landaff, Dame Anne Bryans, Dante Ratherine Hall. Daries Kathlesu Rayner, Sir Peter Baldwin, Sir Gooffing and Lady Barleman, Sir Desirond and Lady Bonhaun-Carter, Sir John and Lady Patientze.

#### Mountbatten Festival of Music

Admiral Sir John and Lady Fieldhouse were the principal guests at the first 1984 Mountbatten Festival of Music given by the massed bands of the Royal Marines in the Albert Hall last night in aid of the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children, Royal Marines' and other charities. The festival is a tribute to the late Admiral of the Ficet Earl Mountbatten of Burma. formerly Honorary Life Colonel Commandant Royal Marines. The Commandant General Royal Mar-

Commandant General Royal Marines and Lady Pringle were the hosts. Other guests included:
Lord and Lady Romsey, the Deputy Chief of the Defonce Staff and Lady Hall, Dame Gillian Brown, the Principal of the Royal Academy of Music and Arts Lursden, the Master of the Armourers' and Brasiers' Company and Mrs Archer, the master of the Company of Master-Marthers and Mrs Miskith. the Norwegland Defonce Attaché and Mrs Lurdviksen. Lieutanapi-Colonel E. R. Bridger, RM, and Mr Silmon Pringte.

the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, in January on the Standard Military Course:

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#### **Dinners**

Trustees of the British Museum, was host at a dinner held in the Pamela Hartwell Room of the rameia Hartwell Room of the museum last night to mark the exhibition. Treasures from Korea. Art through 5000 Years, The guests of honour was Mr Lee Jin Hie. Korean Minister of Culture and information, and the Ambassador of Years was also present. of Korea was also present.

The annual dinner of the Crabtree Foundation was held at University College London last night. Dr John Enticknap, president, was in the chair, Mr Fred C. Gee, also spoke Among those present were:

Mr J.L. Boehrer, Professor F. J.

Gadwallader, Sir Kemeth Christofas, Mr G

Crabree, Mr J. Enegren, Mr J. A Grisham

Campbell, Sir Stephen Hastings, Professor L S

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UCS Old Boys' (Old Gowers) Club

The annual dinner of the UCS Old Boys' (Old Gowers) Club was held at University College School, Hampstead, last night. Mr Geoffrey Bruce Brown, president, was in the chair and the quest of honour was the Headmaster of University College School, Mr Giles Slaughter. Among others present were Judge John Slack, Mr John Barrett, Mr Matthew Norgate and Lt-Col Tony

president of college U. A. Margion presided. Other guests included: The AOC and Commandant of RAF College Crawvals, the Master of Balliot College. Provost of Orisi College, the Warden New College, the Dean of Christ Church, in President of Trintly College and to Director of Oxford Polytechnic.

#### Sandhurst entry

The following officer cadets entered Royal Military Academy, hurst, in January on the

The following WRAC officer cadets are the January entry to the Royal Military Academy. Sandhurst on WRAC Commissioning Course

Lord Trend, Chairman of the

Crabtree Foundation

#### Service dinner

Oxford University Air Squadron
Sir Patrick Nairne, Master of St
Catherine's College, Oxford, and Air
Marshal Sir John Curtiss were the
guests of honour at the annual dinner of the Oxford University Air Squadron held at the Squadron's Headquarters, Manor Road, last night. The Commanding Officer, Squadron Leader G. L. Margiotta,

Anne, patron of the Union of Towns-National Union of Towns-women's Guilds, will attend the launch of the Townswomen's Guild Save the Children Fund project at the Connaught Rooms on February

#### British Museum

British film director of the and a version of Araold 1930s and before that a silent Ridley's famous play, The screen comedian, has died in Los Angeles at the age of 87.

Forde, whose real name was Field. Thomas Seymour, was born in Bradford. His parents were variety artists and he made his first stage appearance as a baby in his mother's arms. At 12 be was an accomplished classical pianist but he decided to pursue a career as a comedian in raudeville and it was from this that be entered films.

**OBITUARY** 

Mr George Elvin, who died

on February 3 at the age of 75, built up the film technicians'

union from virtually nothing to

its present powerful position in

cinema and television, and did

as much as anyone to influence

When he became general secretary of the union in

January, 1934, only a quarter of

the 88 members were paid up

and the rent was three months

in arrears. A year later there

were 605 members, mostly

recruited by Elvin personally.

and when he retired from that

post in the spring of 1969 - he

then served as president for

another five years - the Association of Cinematograph

Television and Allied Tech-

nicians (a significant change of

title) had almost 16.000 mem-

Although his political out-

look was extremely radical,

Elvin cooperated happily with

anyone sharing his immediate objectives - whether it was to

build a strong union, save the

film industry or put on a good football match. In 1939, when

the Government made the

decision that all film production

in Britain should cease, Elvin

worked closely with the union

president, Anthony Asquith, a

patrician Liberal, and Lord Beaverbrook, a populist Tory,

to beat the "apostles of strength

through gloom.

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British film legislation.

MR GEORGE ELVIN

Growth of film technicians'

success.

Olympics.

cations unions.

Elvin's ingenuity and enthusi.

asm again carried along an

unlikely assortment of allies to

Elvin was a second-gener.

ation trade unionist - his father

became general secretary of the

clerical workers' union and was president of the TUC in 1938.

and in his early years was

something of an organising

ability in search of a cause

When he took over the film

technicians (on his brother's

recommendation) he had been

running (part-time) the British

Workers' Sports Association

and campaigning against British

participation in the Berlin

His first key moves as general secretary were to establish a

scattered membership) and an

employment bureau (to exercise some control over entry).

Twenty years later, the achieve-

ment of negotiating rights in

independent television consoli-

dated ACTT as the most dominant of the communi-

In the late 1960s he was one

of the most energetic members of the Lloyd Committee whose

report led to the founding of the

NFS, with the support of his old

friend Jenny Lee.
Elvin leavened his work with

sport and politics. He tried

several times to get into Parliament, and settled in the

end as a Labour councillor at

(as a link among a

During the 1920s he appeared in, and later directed, many slapstick comedies and spent two years working for Universal in Hollywood. A familiar figure in straw hat and wide Oxford bags, he was the only silent comedian of any quality produced by the British cinema.

shorts but by 1928 he was making full-length features and during the early sound period he established himself as one of the best British comedy directors. He made several films disappointing vehicle for Sid with Jack Hulbert, among them Field, he retired to California.

In his other campaign – for the film quota, the National Film Finance Corporation and ticket holder with Southend the National Film School - United. MR WALTER FORDE Walter Forde, a leading Jack's the Boy, Bulldog Jack

> Ghost Train; and later worked with Arthur Askey and Sid From 1938 to 1940 he was one of the principal directors at Ealing Studios under Sir Michael Balcon, where he made half a dozen films including the comedies Cheer Boys Cheer and Saloon Bar, In 1942 he directed It's That Man Again, with Tommy Handley and the cast of

the wartime radio series ITMA, Forder also made a number of effective thrillers. The best was Rome Express, the most successful film of its year (1932) and acclaimed by one critic as the finest feature to emerge from the British cinema. Others incuded adaptations from Edgar uced by the British cinema. Wallace and two in the Most of his early films were Inspector Hornleigh series with Gordon Harker and Alastair

Sim. During the 1940s he was less prolific and after Cardboard Cavalier (1949), a somewhat

#### **HUMPHREY LESTOCO**

Humphrey Lestocq, who the name Rite was devised by played Flying Officer Rite in the radio comedy series Merry-go-Lestocq was born in Chiswick Round, died on January 29 at and educated at Stowe. He the age of 65.

the best known on radio, an repertory companies before his amiable and extrovert upper- career was interrupted by the class twit whose flying exploits were as likely to end in the destruction of his own side's moved to television, where after Riscraft as of the enemy's.

Lestoca was himself a fighter pilot during the Second World War, flying Hurricanes and Typhoons in the Battle of Britain and the desert campaign. One day he was shot down over Bristol and among those who saw the crash was the chairman of several television BBC producer, Leslie Bridgmont

It was Bridgmont who introduced Lestocq to Merry-Go the sister of t Round in September 1946 and Jimmy Edwards.

trained at the Royal Academy The character became one of Oramatic Art and acted with War. After his success in radio he

a hesistant start as a comedian he made his mark as a children's entertainer, particularly in a programme called Whirligig where he was known affectionately as "H. L." and played stooge to a puppet, Mr Turnip.

During the 1950s he was the quiz programmes, including Ask Your Dad and Quick on the Draw. His wife was Elizabeth, the sister of the comedian

#### PATRICK BAIRD

died in Ottawa on January I, to Ballin Island - to Barnes loe was involved in Arctic explowas involved in Arctic exploration and research for many Highland in 1953. years. He was born in 1912, the

fourth son of Brigadier-General E. W. D. Baird, and educated at Edinburgh Academy and Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. where he graduated in geology. As an undergraduate he was a member of J. M. (later Sir James) Wordie's expedition to west Greenland and Arctic Canada in 1934 and, on going down from Cambridge, joined T. H. Manning's British-Cana-

dian Arctic Expedition, 1936-39, to Southampton Island and northern Hudson Bay. On the outbreak of war he joined the Royal Canadian Artillery in which he rose to Lieutenant-Colonel. In that rank, early in 1946, he commanded the column of ten snowmobiles on the Canadian military Exercise Musk-ox north across the barren lands from Churchill to Cambridge Bay, thence south to Edmonton via Coppermine and Norman

Wells. After leaving the Canadian Army, Baird was Director of the Montreal office of the Arctic Institute of North America in the early 1940s and 1950s, and in that position organized and

Mr Justin Dart, the Californian multi-millionaire, who was one of a small group of rich california businessmen who persuaded President Reagan in 1966 to begin his successful campaign to become Governor of California, died on January 26 in Los Angeles at the age of 76. He was also a member of the president's so-called kitchen cabinet which helped plan the Reagan campaign for

Patrick Douglas Baird, who led two successful expeditions

On these expeditions, for the first time in Canada, glaciological investigations by up-to-date methods were a main objective. Baird's achievements in the Arctic were recognized by the award of the Founder's Medal of the Royal Geographical Society for 1953.

returned to Canada in the late Geography Department of McGill University, with 18sponsibility for administering the department's sub-Arctic field station at Schefferville. northern Quebec. His book The polar world, published in 1964. provided a valuable introduction to the subject for students. After his retirement he went to live near Ottawa,

Pat Baird was a fine field leader with a great love for the Arctic and of mountains, especially those of Baffin Island. where Baird Peninsula is named after him. He was twice married, with a son and three daughters by his first marriage. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends on

Gary Gabelich, who died in a road accident in California on January 26 aged 43, held the world land speed record for rocket powered cars from 1970 until his record was broken by

Gabelich who achieved 622,407 mph in his rocket powered car Blue Flame in 1970 held the record for 13 years until his time was surpassed by Noble who averaged 633,468

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Mr ace, Pao Yue,

Following a spell at the University of Aberdeen, Baird 1950s to an appointment in the

both sides of the Atlantic.

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mph last October.



Clocking out: The six-bell clock that hung in Bourne and Hollingsworth, of Oxford Street, from 1927 until the store's closure last year being dusted yesterday by Miss Susan Walwyn, of Christie's, which is to sell it on April 17. The auctioneers, who expect a price of about £30,000, describe the clock as "one of the most important pieces of British art deco to come on the market" (Photograph: John Manning).

#### Latest appointments | Luncheons

Latest appointments include: Mr John James, aged 48, a trustee of the Grosvenor Estate, to be a Crown Estate commissioner in succession to Lord Allen of

Mr Wilfred Grenville-Grey, aged 53. representative of the International Defence and Aid Fund for Southern Africa at the United Nations, to be a lay assistant to the Archbishop of Canterbury from March 1. in succession to Mr Michael Kinchin

Smill.

Professor Rosemary Cramp, professor of archaeology of Durham fessor of archaeology of Durham University, to be a member of the Advisory Board for Redundant Advisory Board for Redundant Churches in succession to Dr Eric

Mr Raja Gomez to be director of the Commonwealth Youth Programme. Mr Brian Burnett, formerly group secretary of the Sedgwick Group, to be secretary to the Corporation of the Royal Albert Hall. To be members of the visiting committee for the Royal College of Art. Mr Neville Labovitch, a businessman with experience in the

textiles industry and in service industries, Professor Pat McKeown, director of the Cranfield unit fo precision engineering, and Mr John Pike, formerly financial secretary at the London School of Economics. To be members to the visiting committee for Cranfield Institute of Technology: Professor James O'Callaghan, department of agricultural engineering, Newcastle University, and Mr David Quarmby, managing director (buses), London Transport Executive. They replace Dr J M Buist and Mr K H Lambert.

Mrs Brenda Hoggett, reader in law at Manchester University, and Professor Julian Farrand, professor of law at Manchester University to be members of the Law Com-

# Mr A. J. Douglas and Dr D. N. Brooks to be members of the Hearing Aid Council.

Ellesmere College Ellesmere College celebrates its centenary this year. Special events during the Easter holidays include the Rugby XV's tour of Canada and the chapel choir's tour of the United

Centenary week is May 12 to 19. Among the many events during that week there will be a reception for the Old Ellesmerians (12th), a commemoration dinner for present members of the college (14th), a commemoration service and speeches (18th) and the centenary ball (19th. The foundation ceremony for St Oswald's house, the new sixth form girls' house, will take place during the same week. The college has chosen as its centenary charity the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopsedic Hospital at Gobowen and will be raising money for this cause during the year.

Details of all events can be

obtained from the Centenary Office

Ellesmere College, Ellesmere,

Green, at present housemaster at Bryanston School, to be the Master of Warminster School from September, 1984, in succession to Mr

Gerald Vinestock, who is leaving to

become Headmaster of Casterton

Visit to Bermuda

School, Cumbria.

Warminster School

"We are not looking for one The governors announce that they have appointed Mr D. Malcolm

#### Science report Chaffinches fail Beau Geste ploy By Stephen Young

more than a single tune in its repertoire. One explanation land. The scientists recorded over 7,000 bursts of song from six chaffinches, while taking careful note of each bird's for that versatility is that the bird can use its range of songs to practise a deception on other birds searching for a movements between the various song posts in its territory. If the Beau Geste hypothesis holds, then a chaffinch If such avian trespassers can be misled by a resident's variable songs into thinking that he is not one bird, but would be expected to switch songs with every change of song post. It ought also to refrain from changing its time

several, then they are likely to retreat and seek living quar-ters that seem less crowded. while occupying any particular But neither prediction was fulfilled by Dawson's and Jenkins's chaffinches. In fact, changes of song coincided with changes of perch no more than would be expected by chance. Each of the chaffinches under test had a range of two songs, which should have figured equally in the bird's performances if their function

was to deceive invaders in the manner required What is more, none of the chaffinces divided its time equally between song posts. That meant that a bird sang from only a limited area of its territory, so it would have been unlikely to convince intruders that many birds were in

residence.

snaded Dawson and Jenkins that the Beau Geste idea, for all its appeal, is incapable of explaining the song repertoires of chaffinches.

a large repertoire may im-Such sexual selection may

ances take place in May and

Jane, when the eggs have

already been laid. Slater thinks that a bird with a larger repertoire is more likely to be able to match the songs of other chaffinches. Such abilities could make it easier for a bird to acquire and hold a territory. For example, a young bird may gain

Peter Slater, a biologist at Sussex University, rejects the idea that a male chaffinch with well occur among sedge war-blers for example, but not among chaffinches, whose most elaborate vocal perform-

acceptance in a new neigh-bourhood if one of his songs resembles that of a previous

S. M. Dawson and P. F.

256, 1983; P. J. Slater Zeitschrift für Tierpsychologie

vol 56, p 1, 1981,

Jenkins, Behaviour, vol 87, p

Princess Margaret will attend Bermuda's 375th anniversary cel-ebrations from October 23 to 26, Kensington Palace announced So what is the explanation? Latest wills Lady Barber leaves £615.662

> Dorset, left £124.357 net. After a personal bequest of £25,000 she left the residue equally between the Cancer Research Campaign and the Sir James Currie, of Bury St Edmunds, formerly in the Diplo-matic Service, left £28,030 net. Other estates include (net, before tax paid); Birchall, Mr John, of Nantwich

Eve, Mrs Marie Amelie, of

Hongkong, estate in England and

£451,827

£486,965

of Kowloon,

Lady Barber of Kensington, Lon-

don, wife of a former Chancellor of

the Exchequer, left estate valued at £615.662 net.

Miss Bessie Dakin, of Wimborn

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The following graduate entrant are the January entry at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, on the Standard Graduate Course; Edinburgh; R C Craves-Criffiths. Endis-burgh; A J C Currie, London; H R Davies. Aberystwyth. J P De Vos. Newcastie; P A J Dinsie, Sheffield U; M E Durm, London U; M R Elberfield; Vork U; P C W Evans, S M R Electronic Vork U; P C W Evans, S M M Franks. Trent Poly; P J Huller, Reading U; A D Geel, Plymouth Poly; N J Goodwin, Leicester Poly; L A N Gunn, Edinburgh; S J H Hampathre, Bristol; C O Lardern, Leeds; C Horton, Laughborough; C G S Hughes, Denstone C Starts; C J Hunter, St Johns C of Ed., Vorks; M Edinburgh; Bath.

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In the eyes of the West, Korean art has been completely overshadowed by that of China and Japan. Treasures from Korea, an exhibition which opens to the public today at the British Museum, provides an unique opportunity to assess the distinctive cultural achievement of the country known as the Land of the Morning Calm. Roderick Whitfield, Assistant Keeper in

the Department of Oriental Antiquities at the British Museum, sets this achievement in the context of East Asian art as a whole.

and archaeology at the British between Korea, China and Museum is a rare chance to see Japan. Korean culture in perspective.

For the West, Korean art has been less accessible than that of abound in the neighbourhood

N

ans'

is the key to understanding the the development of common elements in the cultures of the

The peninsula was first settled from north-eastern Siberia, and both pottery and metalwork spread southwards from the north, Contacts with ded in the north-west in 108BC mounds, special Korean forms ever more spectacular creations.

When the powerful kinedom of evolved which have no counterThese included paintings, Roguryo regained control of parts in Chinese practice, such and lacquer boxes which this area in the early 4th century as the figures of the Zodiac were inlaid with mother of pearl Roguryo regained control of AD, it was not long before both animals, facing the appropriate in delicate designs and made to Buddhism and Confucian learn- directions. ing entered the country by this

However, the most fruitful of later contacts were by the sea route: the south-western kingdom of Paekche had close relations with the Liang dynasty in south China, with its capital at Nanking

Packche culture, with its emphasis on learning, and its In Buddhist art 100, the early adoption of the teachings Korean contribution is a disof Buddhism, shared the cul-tinctive one. The grace and tural refinements and passion spiritual calm of bronze images for learning of the southern from Paekche in the sixth and dynasties, and these qualities seventh centuries is unmatched were transmitted not only save by figures that closely southwards to Japan, but also to follow them in Japan. In the Silla when this kingdom over- eighth century, when the intercame both Paekche and national style spread from Koguryo in the middle of the Changan to Kyongju and thence seventh century. Scholars from to Nara in Japan, the palaces Paekche introduced Chinese and temples of Kyongju were writing to Japan in the sixth and adorned with splendid images early seventh centuries.

Korea's extensive foreign contacts are attested by some of the recent finds, in which vessels of blown or moulded glass from western Asia are not uncommon. Koreans frequently visited China, and during the Tang dynasty Korean monks travelled as far as India.

In the mid-ninth century, the priest Ennin show that Koreans art and quite without parallel.

The exhibition of Korean art controlled trade and shipping and still attract worshippers

China and Japan, and even of Kyongju, the capital of Silla, Koreans have much to learn represent links with Korea's abruptly cut short by the about their ancient culture, northern origins. Still pottery persecutions of 845, in Korea Korea's geographical position includes numerous shapes there was no check until includes numerous shapes there was no check until which it would be hard to centuries later when its decline part played by the country in match in China, and the rich panoply of gold crowns, winged head ornaments, spangled pendants and ceremonial belts with multiple pendants, are uniquely Korean.

Even after the Silla unifi-cation, when the Koreans followed Chinese burial custom China followed a similar path: a in placing large stone figures on Chinese commandery was foun- the approaches to tomb



and tiles as richly ornamented as any in China.

Nowhere else do we find such splendid carvings and reliefs in granite, a material whose very hardness encouraged the sculptor to express gentle features. The granite cave temple at Sokkuram, almost miraculously intact since its completion in the mid-eighth century, is one diaries of the famous Japanese of the masterpieces of Buddhist

today. The Buddhist temple bells of Silla are the largest and finest ever made in East Asia,

The

some over three metres high. While the growth of Buddhist wealth and power in China was and the collapse of the Koryo dynasty in 1392 was brought about by its own extravagance. In both the Unified Silla and Koryo dynasties, Buddhist monks enjoyed positions of privilege and power as national preceptors,

Under the Koryo dynasty (935-1392), Buddhist and royal patronage of the arts produced hold sets of Buddhist sutra scrolls (including those of more than one enterprise, undertaken and completed, to print the entire Buddhist canon, which

had grown to vast proportions).

Buddhist ritual implements, such as incense burners or water sprinklers, were made of pronze, inlaid in silver, and the inlay technique was pioneered in ceramics, in the bluish-green celadon wares which were famous and sought-after even in their own time. Finely detailed metalwork seems to have been a Korean speciality ever since the appearance of mirrors with incised geometric decoration, in the first millennium BC.

The last great dynasty, Chosun (often called the Yi dynasty in Japan and the West, after the surname of the royal family), produced further manifestations of Korea's own distinctive culture.

The substitution of the Confucian philosophy in place of Buddhism as the official state doctorine was a great encouragement to learning, and many works were produced in the fifteenth century.

This was also the period

when a completely new script, Hangul, devised on scientific principles specifically for the



which had been used until then, 1910 and remained in power it is in universal use today, until the end of the Second combined with characters or on

and in scenes of daily life. In the

than the Chinese characters which annexed the country in antiquities found their way into World War.

The scars of this period are In the later Chosun period, still felt in Korea. While the eighteenth century saw a Japanese scholars were diligent renaissance of cultural activity, in the investigation of Korean manifested among other things archaeology and historic monuin paintings of actual places, ments, their presentation of them was, perhaps inevitably, nineteenth, through the closed from a Japanese point of view. door policy adpted by the In addition to the images and powerful regent Taewon-gun Yi works of art which had been Ha-ung, Korea took longer to acquired over the centuries, works of art which had been come to terms with contacts either in the natural course of had colonies on the Chinese Hugh shallow reliefs cut in Korean language, was published with the West, and in consecoast, provided interpreters and the natural rock are numerous and promulgated. Far easier quence was vulnerable to Japan, century invasions, many more century in Nara.





Gold, granite and porcelain. Crown from the Gold Bell Tomb, Kyongju (5th-6th century AD); the 111/2 foot high Buddha at Sokkuram; Koryo wine pot (early 13th century).

# A resting place for kings

One of the most important monuments in Korea is the Buddhist grotto Sokkuram, which is located near Kyongju, the capital of the Silla dynasty. Sokkuram is a masterpiece which represents the best traditions not only of Korea but also of the whole of East Asia. Mt To-ham, which shields

Kyongju from the Sea of Japan. was regarded as a sacred mountain by the Silla people. It is, therefore, no historical accident that two great Bud-dhist temples, Sokkuram and Pulguk-sa, were built there.

At the eastern foot of Mt Tothe mouth of the Eastern Sea, into which a mountain stream from To-ham drains. Tong-hae Ku was another holy place to the Silla people because the mid-sea mausoleum of King Mun-mu, the great monarch who unified Korea, was established there. Thereafter the ashes of royal bodies were enshrined in Tong-bac Ku, which became a cemetery of the

When Silla's power reached its peak during the mid-eighth

near summit of Mt To-ham, directly overlooking the royal mausoleum at Tong-hae Ku, It is recorded that while Pulguk-sa was built for the surviving relatives, Sokkuram was dedicated to deceased parents and for the repose of royal souls.

Unlike the rock temples in India or in China, where typical gronoes were natural rock caves, Sokkuram is an artificial grotto made with transported rocks. It is covered with earth ham is Tong-hae Ku, meaning and thus appears to be part of the mountain.

> Sokkuram has a circular main hall and a square anteroom. Passageways reach to every corner of the hall, and the limited space is well utilized to provide adequate room for the sculpted figures as well as for visitors.

At the centre of the rotunda sits the majestic Buddha facing the east overlooking Tong-hae Ku. In spite of earlier assertions that this statue is of Sakyamuni,

century, the royal family spon- I believe it is of Amitabha sored the construction of the Buddha, Lord of Western Sokkuram and Pulguk-sa tem- Paradise. The statue is of ples. Sokkuram was built on the granite and is 3.5 metres high, It shows incomparable symmetry and conveys a sense of calm movement which gives varying impressions depending on the time of day and the viewer,

> Sokkuram has a total of 37 figures on granite slabs all around the wall, in which the Buddhas are positioned in accordance with the functions and the Buddhist world orders. Aside from the Amitabha Buddha at the centre, there is beautiful, eleven-headed Bodhisattva Avalokite's vara directly behind Amitabha Buddha.

> The craftsmanship of rock temple building which originsted in India, was developed in China, and then further refined in Korea. Sokkuram is evidence that rock temple art was in full bloom in eighth century Korea.

· Hwang Su-young President, Dongguk University.

Japanese collections. Treasures from Korea

The full story of Japanese British Museum indebtedness to Korean culture has still to be written; at the Feb 16-May 13 moment the best progress is being made by Korean archae-Opening hours: 10 am-5 pm ologists excavating on Korcan Mon-Sat, 2.30-6 pm Sun soil, as they uncover objects which demonstrate, by their Entry: £1; 50p for those under identity of material, form, style or technique, the Korean origin 16, senior citizens, unemof similar pieces in Japanese ployed, students collections, as some of the treasures of the Shosoin im-Catalogue: £5.95 perial repository of the eighth

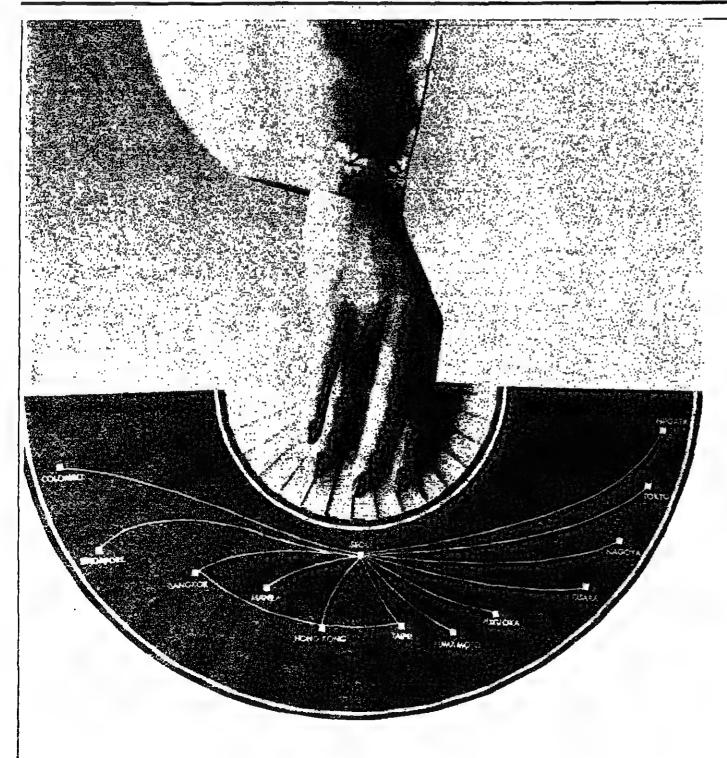
Korean embroidery

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# Private gold from the unknown queen

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They consisted of a crown, a pair of ear pendants, a necklace made of about 6,000 gold, jade and glass beads, 19 finger rings, five pairs of bracelets, and a girdle with 13 long pendants. Her shoes were, however, made

of gilt bronze. She had another four sets each of necklaces and suver girdles in addition to a total of 6,000 blue glass beads, 12,000 beads of various materials and 148 comma-shaped jades, all put into wooden chest placed near her head.

Egyptian pharaohs are famous for their lavish use of gold, but kings of the Old Silla dynasty do not fall behind in their fervour for the precious

As the queen's berial shows. the official and ceremonial attire of Silla royalty sparkled with gold to such a extent that contemporary Japanese of the Kofun period use the words meno ragayaku (eye glistening) in verses as an adjective prefix to the word "Silla".

Gold was known to ancient Koreans of the proto-Three Kingdoms period Korea (c.0-300 AD) through a colony called Lelang (108 BC-AD 313) set up by Han China in north-west Korea. But it was from the fourth century that south Koreans, particularly those in the Silla region in south-east Korea, started working on gold by themselves. It is very likely by themselves. It is very likely shaped uprights. They are that some goldsmiths migrated to the south from north-west spangles and jade pendants Korea after the fail of the Lelang colony in 313 AD, and set up workshops in the

Silla at that time was rapidly rising as a kingdom in a lation. It appears, however, that substantial sense, beloed by a the outer crown and the inner strong army, active iron smelt- cap were not worn as a set ing and presence of rich gold because, when buried, the mines. Silla kings of the "proto" deceased wears only the outer period were elected from Pak crown, leaving the inner cap d Sok clans, but from the outside the coffin. mid-fourth century on, the throne was monopolized by the Kim clan. "Kim" literally means have been widely used in the

Kyongju, they found a complete silver and gilt-bronze have been set of gold personal ornaments discovered in tombs of all the nineteenth century inhabitants that had once adorned a three kingdoms, i.e. Koguryo, of eastern Siberia. The Silla that had once adorned a three kingdoms, i.e. Koguryo, deceased queen laid in a wooden Packche and Old Silla, but coffin. All the physical parts of those from Old Silla tombs



Korean dynasties

Three Kingdoms; Old Silla 57BC-660AD Koguryo 37BC-668AD Paekche 18BC-660AD Unified Silla 668-935 Korvo 935-1392

Yi (Chosun) 1392-1910

Japanese rule 1910-1945 Korean War (1950-53) sealed division of the peninsula into Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) and Republic of Korea (South Korea).

use of gold and uniqueness in artistic motif and style. Of the gold ornaments of Silla, the crown, ear pendants and girdle may best demonstrate the characteristics of Silla goldwork.

A Silla gold crown consists of an outer circlet with three uprights and an inner cap with a bifurcated horn-like frontal ornament, all made of cut-sheet gold. The outer circlet has three frontal uprights of a highly conventionalized tree-shape, which are flanked by two antiertwisted wire.

The triangular funer cap with pointed tip is filled with tiny geometric openings for venti-

Diadems featuring antler and tree-shaped ornaments seem to "gold", and the simultaneous Eurasian steppe, as is attested emergence of gold technology in by a gold diadem from a

ments were seen among the of eastern Siberia. The Silia crown is undoubtedly connected to such Siberian tradition, but the highly conventionalized form, with outspoken spiritual quality and archaic beauty, is

definitely a Silla invention. The comma-shaped jade, attached to the crown, are made of jadeite whose original mine is now lost in Korea. The jade pendants were also valued as the central piece of a necklace or a finial pendant of an earring. Exactly identical jade pendants called magatama in Japanese were also popular in Kofunperiod Japan.

The jade pendants of Korea origins that go back to the prehistoric period, but exchange of artistic ideas between the two countries at the time for the countries at the time for the particular object of art seems to have produced a common form

as we see today.

An ear pendant consists of a thick, hollow main ring, a medial piece and a heart-shaped finial suspended from it. The three-parts structure is basically similar to the Han Chinese glass ear pendant called er-dang, but a Silla ear pendant is again uniquely Silla or Korean in its material, shape and total effect as an art piece.

A gold girdle made of several tens of square plaques with designs in open-work is another unique Silla achievement, developed from a simpler prototype used by the ancient monadic peoples of the Siberian steppe. A tool-kit for nomadic daily life comprising knife, whet-stone, needle and medicine cases, drinking cup, charm, and so on, originally suspended from the belt, was reduced into simplified, symbolic replicas in Silla royalty naively dis-

played its wealth and dignity through glistening gold orna-ments with symbolic forms. The royalty and their kingdom have long since gone, but they have left behind artefacts which, devoid of the cold perfectionism of Chinese art or the Japanese emphasis on visual decorativeness, are uniquely Korean in taste and style.

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Koryo celadon jar with inlaid decoration (mid-12th century)

# **Ceramics**

Korea was one of the first countries to produce porcelain.
As early as the Three Kingdoms period (1st century BC - 7th century AD) stoneware was baked at 1.200C by reduced firing. By the Unified Silla period (7th-10th century AD) duced, indicating that the stage immediately before celadon had been reached

Influenced by the Yueh-chou kiln of China, the unified Silla turned out a great quantity of celadons, including dishes with doughnut-shaped feet, in the second half of the ninth century. Slightly ahead of, or almost simultaneously with, this development, Silla had succeeded in making so-called coarse or proto-celadons through interaction of ash-glazed Silla stoneware and Chinese celadons from kilns other than the Yuehchou kiln. They had discontinued making this type of porcelain by the 11th century.

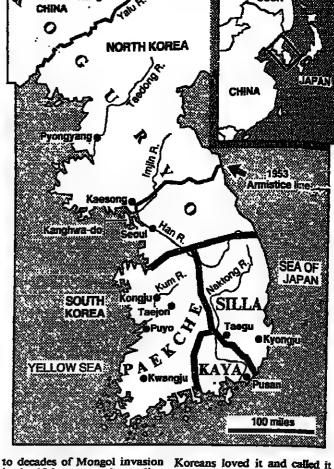
There had been frequent exchanges with such Chinese kilns as Yao-chou, Lin-fu, Fu, Tzu-chou and Ting. During the Koryo dynasty (935-1392), celadons were developed reflecting natural surroundings, climate and culture, and in the first half of the 12th century they reached their highest degree of refinement. In the



was perfected.

Although Koryo suffered from political and social instability in the 12th and early 13th

technique of inlaying designs strides. A wide variety of ceramics was produced including white porcelains, blackglazed, iron-glazed or marbledesign wares as well as cela-Seoul National University middle of the century the centuries, its culture made great dons. As Koryo was subjected



in the 13th century, the quality, pisaek. shape and decoration of its celadons suffered.

With the temporary recovery of stability in the second half of the "transparency" of Korean the 13th century during the reign of King Chung-yol, there on whose bed pebbles and sand was a small improvement in the can be seen. Chinese celadons quality of Koryo celadons. They enjoyed a brief period of revival when Koryo came into contact with Western culture through Yuan China, After King Chungyol. Koryo celadons deterio-rated and never regained their former glory.

The development of ceramics from earthenware to ash-glazed pottery, from ash-glazed pottery to celadons, and from celadons to white porcelain was natural and logical. Rather than making ceramics with a wide variety of shape and design, as the Chinese did, Korean potters concentrated on celadons, giving them unique colour and

Koryo produced its best celadons during the reign of King Injong (the first half of the 12th century AD), a period when China was producing celadons of the highest refine-ment at the official kiln at Fu. Hsu Ching, a famous Chinese scholar who visited Koryo as, a member of a Song Chinese diplomatic mission, wrote in his travelogue, Hsuan-ho Feng Kao-li Tu-ching, that the colour of the Koryo celadons was uniquely beautiful and that the

The opaque glazing of Chinese celadons may be compared to a deep and murky pond and are often imposing, dignified, and exaggerated, while Koryo celadons are seldom so. On Koryo celadons parts combine to produce a whole of flowing lines and an overall balance and harmony.

Few incised or relief designs were made on Chinese celadons because of the opaque and thick glaze. On the other hand incised, relief, inlaid and openwork designs can be found in Koryo celadons. While Chinese celadons are covered all over with stylised patterns, Korean celadons are only partially decorated with pictorial designs which are subdued in colour, simple and restained.

Koryo potters succeeded in decorating celadons with oxidised copper in the first half of the 12th century, the first in the world to do so. However, they were sparing in their application of this pigment, using it to mark cranes. The reddish dots linger in the memory.

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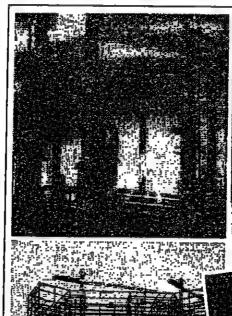


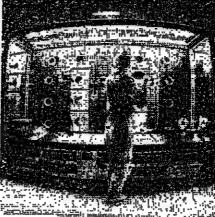
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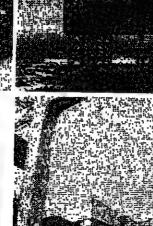
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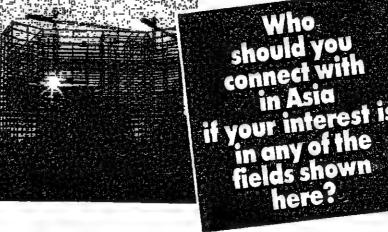
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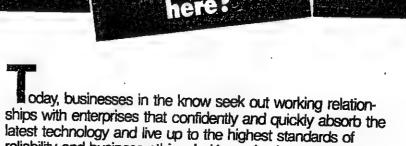












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# The inspiration of Buddha in these gentle bronzes

to Korea in the late fourth century was a great stimulus to religion and art. Temples and pagodas were built and devotional images made following models introduced by foreign missionaries, and local variations soon developed. Very statues of this period have The introduction of Buddhism to Korea in the late fourth century was a great stimulus to religion and art. Temples and simpler forms of the rounded of the characteristics of Korean

gilt bronze having lasted longer than those in wood, clay or even stone. The earliest datable piece is a gilt bronze Buddha figure of the Koguryo Kingdom which has an inscribed date corre-sponding most probably to 539

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The statue wears a thick garment with flared folds on either side and stands on a round base supported by inverted lotus petals, its aureole is incised with flame patterns and it carries an inscription about its origins on its back. The Buddha statue raises its right hand in the symbolic gesture of fear not" while the left hand is lowered, meaning "charity",

It is easy to see that the hand gestures and the formal appearance of this early Korean image are not very different from Chinese images of slightly carlier date. But the gently smiling face, with a touch of human warmth, is found in other Korean images. Also the somewhat crude technical finish of the flame pattern, the thick folds of the garment and the



become a Buddha in the future. Buddha in the salvation of and artistic skills, into Japan in suffering beings. He wears a the middle of the sixth century shawl, a skirt, a crown, a and greatly influenced the early necklace and rich ornamenta- development of Japanese Budtion over the body - in contrast dhist art. to the simple garment of the Buddha, A gilt bronze Bodhi- ment of East Asian Buddhist sattva statue from Samyang- culture was even more marked dong in the British Museum during the Unified Silla dynasty exhibition is a fine piece from (668-935 AD). Frequent exthe Three Kingdoms period in changes with Chinese Buddhist

sattva's attire and its iconogra- centuries, cariched the Bud-phic details are similar to dhist scholarship and the folds of the garment and the Chinese and Japanese statues, artistic achievement of the Silla uneven shapes of the thick lotus But a certain casualness in the people.

Included also in the exhibitton is a large gilt bronze
Bodhisattva statue seated in a
meditative pose which is often
identified as the future Buddha

strates the ability to express profound Buddhist teachings in an image; It forms a pair with another well-known meditating Bodhisattva statue, now in the National Museum in Seoul, as the representative masterpieces bronze images in the Three Kingdoms period, Bud-As a deity, Bodhisattva dhist teaching had deeply stands next in status to the permeated the thought and Buddha. He is waiting to everyday lives of the Korean become a Buddha in the future, people. They introduced Bud-and in the meantime assists the dhism, as well as the technical

Korea's role in the developthe style of the early seventh communities, as well as pilgrim-century. The treatment of the Bodhi- India in the seventh and eighth

A gilt bronze plaque of a Buddha triad which was re-cently discovered in a pond in Kyongju, the ancient capital of Silla, reflects the international

sculptural style around 700 AD. The full round face, the voluminous body with naturally flowing garment folds, and the slightly bent stance of the identified as the future Buddna Maitreya - like the Messiah in the West - a deity which was especially popular as Koreans struggled to achieve political unity in the seventh century.

Struggled to achieve political unity in the seventh century.

The wife of the period. Yet the modelling of the statues and the intricate floral designs in the common halo and the lotus pedestal, are skills perfected by the Silla people.

The eighth century saw the culmination of Buddhist art and culture in the Asian world. According to historical records. many larger than life-size gilt bronze images and bells were cast for the state-patronized temples. However, very few remain today to remind us of the grandeur of Buddhist art in the period.

Artistic activity inspired by Buddhism declined in the late Unified Silla dynasty when Tang China was no longer the centre of international Buddhist culture. Silla turned gradually lowards a new phase of Buddhist doctrine, Chan (Zen) Buddhism, which put more emphasis on meditation than on Buddhist Imagery: Furthermore, iron and stone replaced gill bronze as the popular medium for large size statues.

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# Putting the people on paper



Wrestling match. A genre painting, lak on paper, by Kim Hong-do (1745-after 1814).

The Chosun (Yi) dynasty (1392-1910) saw remarkable development in painting in Korea. Scholar-painters and prominent members of the Academy of Painting reached a high degree of achievement in traditional Korean styles, while the activities of priest-painters waned under government policy of neglecting Buddhism in favour of Confucianism.

Paintings became diverse and distinctly Korean in terms of composition. brushwork, and treatment of space. While absorbing styles of Chinese choing shapes and forms, a distinctly new style indigenous painting of different periods, Korean painters were able to evolve their own styles, which in turn played an important Japanese ink painting of the Blossom Land". Muromachi period.

Because different styles were developed and fashions changed during the long period of the Chosun dynasty, the paintings may be divided into four smaller periods: early (1392c.1550), middle (c.1550c.1700), late (c.1700-c.1850), depiction, and a lofty spirit.

Sin Yun-bok painted with and the final years (c.1850- What they represented was in

great masters as An Kyon, Kang ance. Hui-an. Yi Sang-jwa, and others were active. They had a profound influence on later ing". which encouraged pro-profound influence on later ing". which encouraged pro-gressive ideas of independence other artists. All three, however,

# Koreans find their own style

representative painter of the period. He studied many excellent Chinese paintings in the collection of his patron. Prince Anpyong, and evolved his own personal idiom.

His style is characterized by

part in the development of Dream Journey to the Peach colouring effects. In the middle period uni-

birds and flowers, bamboos, many humorous scenes from plums, and grapes. Paintings of the actual life of common these subjects are characterized people in typical Korean dress, stark contrast to the social The most important part of disorder and political turmoil of his time. His subjects were

With the advent of a his paintings differ in theme, movement for Practical Learn-composition, brushwork and

An Kyon may be taken as a and self-recognition, Korean

pervasive spaciousness, the use to Korea not only in choice of of diagonal movement, and subject but also in compact unique brushwork, as exemp-lified in his famous work. "A overlaying use of ink, and light

Genre painting also proved to be remarkably Korean quely Korean styles were character. Kim Hong-do and his evolved in paintings of animals, follower, Kim Duk-sin, painted

affection romantic love scenes involving men and women of the early Chosun period was the the period, and can be seen as usually shown enjoying them-fifteenth century, when such evidence of Korean persevers selves. Rendered with a lively, refined brush and fresh colours,

shared a common interest in depicting everyday scenes. Their works are lively and full of wil.

The Chinese Southern School style, already introduced in the preceding period, attained great favour during the late Chosun period. Another important development was the introduction of Western techniques of shading and perspective from

During the final period of the Chosun dynasty the types of landscape and genre painting done in the late period declined rapidly, giving way to the Chinese Southern School style followed by Kim Chong-hui and followers.

This period also saw the creation of fresh, new styles by such individualistic artists as Kim Su-chol and Hong Se-sop. Simplified forms, water colour effects, and bold brushwork of wet ink washes are particularly

remarkable in their works.

The final period culminated in the work of Chang Sung-op, the nineteenth century master who excelled in a wide range of subjects and in powerful brushwork and who exercised a profound influence over modern painters.

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Home computers star in W H Smith surge W. H. Smith has not always shops and will be opming enjoyed the recognition in the another 16 or 17 this year. Sales market which it deserves as one of computers and software

kind of business, and Smith stayed the same, but some managed to raise sales from magazines and periodicals, £696m to £770m. The full which make up 50 per cent of importance of this can be seen the wholesale business, put up in the retail division where new their cover prices. There was a space added 1.5 per cent to sales 1.7 per cent fall in sales of and inflation may have contrib- periodicals.

More members and sales generated better sales for the book club, after a slightly sticky The star performer on the period. Higher demand for retail side was the ubiquitous books, allied with improved home computer, Smith now has distribution helped publishing. 30 computer shops-within- But Crossroad, the American

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religious publisher, and Kaleidoscope, both of which lost
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prompt some reassestment.

Precise interpretation may be magazine sales were months to the end of May, in the midst of changing to a May year-end. These 10-month specialist magazines sold in greater numbers.

Turnover for the wholesale may be magazine sales were months to the end of May, although shareholders will be content with the interim divisions have figures to December 3 leave out the lucrative and crucial trading to a payout the company used to make in the late 1970s.

On the sale of May, on the late 1970s which make in the late 1970s.

On the sale of law market, the shares surged 13p to 79p dend of 1.5p net on the A-spurred on by the news that further progress is expected this strength to support its foundries term borrowings are almost nil, year.

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Midlands lawnmowers, central heating boilers and formation

But this may not be expected.

But this may not be expected to show through in a streng-thened balance sheet

Birmid is still the biggest of the automotive iron foundry

Midlands lawnmowers, central heating boilers and foundries group, has produced and astonishing recovery in profits.

In the year to end of October, 1983, pretax losses of £1.4m were transformed into £8.6m profits. This was helped by a transformed into £8.6m profits. This was helped by a transformed into £8.6m profits.

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The central heating division and central heating businesses.

A final dividend of 2p is being recommended lifting the total for the year to 2.33p - a ditions while the home and of the country's most successful sourced from £15m to £2/m, and, retail groups. But the surge in pretax profits for the first 10 months of the transitional year from £14.4m to £20.1m might prompt some reassessment.

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Despite the alleged attractions of computers, sales of books also increased. But months to the end of May, months to the end of May.

A final dividend of £5m despite the fact that the home and debit, of £590,000. The trading losses were taken above the line, and that chapter is closed.

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1.9 cents

Another easier day for the dollar closed yesterday with sterling up 1.90 cents at 1.4425 but again significantly weaker to the Deutschemark and sharply

against the French franc at

8.2250 and more than 2 centimes on the Swiss franc at

STOCK EXCHANGES

**SE 100 index:** 103 3 up 6.0 (day's high 1036.8, low 1031.7) **FT Index:** 816.6 up 4.5

FT Gifts: 82.77 up 0.05

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# FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

# First cracks in the almighty dollar

The rout of the dollar on the New York foreign exchange markets late on Valentine's Day, which continued yesterday afternoon in Europe, has fuelled the view that the great dollar sell-off is finally under

Predictions of a substantial fall in the dollar have been wrong before, and again and again the most respected forecasters have had to swallow their words over the past year in the face of another bout of dollar strength. Between last August and October, for instance, the dollar fell steadily from a peak of more than DM2.73 against the Deutschemark to just below DM2.57 only to rise later in the year.

But this time it has fallen faster. From a peak of DM2.84 last month, the dollar is down to DM2.6727 - a sizeable part of that loss occuring in only a couple of days. The mood is very different from last

American economic statistics which in days gone by would have been taken to signal the possibility of rising US interest rates are no longer lending support. The incessant warnings over the US budget and trade deficits and the implications these will have for the dollar have taken their toll on confidence. There have also been signs of foreign investors pulling their money out of Wall Street, taking profits both on the market and on the American currency.

So a crack has appeared in international confidence in the dollar. Hot money is coming out of the United States; dealers are talking of the familiar bandwagon effect which tends to follow such talk.

It would be no surprise if the dollar stages something of a recovery after the savage sell-off which has clipped 6.5 pfennigs off its value in only two days. Corrections in currency markets, by their nature, do not occur in straight lines. Rather the pattern is likely to be periods of selling followed by calm and partial recovery before the next bout of selling.

However the shift in sentiment about the dollar since the turn of the year has been so profound that its underlying pressure is now downwards.

The main beneficiary so far has been the Deutschemark. This has brought familiar problems for the weaker currencies in the European Monetary System, such as the Belgian franc. Sterling, meanwhile, has been in halfway house. It was almost 2 cent up at \$1,4425 against the dollar yesterday although it gave up ground against European currencies.

#### Harsh words on public spending

Some of the gloss on the public spending White Paper has been to be published today scraped off by rough words from the Treasury Select Committee of MPs, which yesterday produced its belated report on the Chancellor's autumn statement.

Far from holding down the real level of spending, Government's proclaimed objective, the MPs say that it has increased spending by 6 per cent between 1980-81 and 1984-85.

The committee says sternly: "On this basis, planned public expenditure for 1984-85 would represent 43 per cent of gdp - only I per cent beneath the peak level reached in the course of the 1981-82 financial year, or in other words only half of the reduction the published figures

The committee also has harsh things to say more generally about the treatment of asset sales as negative public spending.

The Chancellor does not show any inclination to take the committee's advice. Asset sales of £6 billion over the next three years will be shown as negative spending in today's White Paper. But some concession to these misgivings, which are echoed in the City, may be granted in the Budget, where the Chancellor may respond by lowering his target for the public sector borrowing requirement.

First report from the Treasury and Civil Service Committee, The Government's economic policy: autumn statement. House of Commons paper 170 of session 1983-84, HMSO, £6.

# Cheap way to boost investment

This year's Budget proposals from the Wider Share Ownership Council, while not unfamiliar to those who follow the lobbies year by year, take on a particular interest in the year of Mr Nigel Lawson's

Human nature alone dictates that the Chancellor will want to make something of a reforming splash. Macroeconomic constraints combined with the Government's continuing allegiance to the medium-term financial strategy almost rule out exciting tax cuts or tax/welfare reforms. Ideas to promote mass share ownership, or at least to remove the bias against personal non-institutional investment, look an attractive alternative sideshow.

Like others, most notably the Stock Exchange, the Wider Share Ownership Council urges a cut in stamp duty on share transactions from 2 per cent to perhaps 0.5 per cent. It also wants a further easing of the investment income surchange, by raising the threshold and halving the rate. And it approves the return of tax reliefs for executive share option schemes,

These are certainly all runners. But they are marginal

Those who really want to reverse the tide of individual share ownership urge a British version of the French Loi Monory. enabling individuals who invest more in British equities to claim tax relief, as enjoyed by pension contributions. The council suggests that, for fairness, saving into personal equity holdings should be tax-deductible up to the same limit as bonuses under the employee share ownership scheme introduced in 1978 and now running at £5,000.

Sadly, there is not the slightest indication that the Treasury is planning any such thing,

That leaves one intriguing and dramatic possibility. Many lobby groups have pointed out that the mechanism introduced to index capital gains for tax purposes is so complex that it has deterred investment. There are plenty of proposals for reform. But why not axe long-term capital gains tax altogether and instead reintroduce taxation of speculative shortterm gains as income? That would encourage investment, cost little in revenue and satisfy equity by catching the speculator who makes an income out of capital gains.

#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### MAM 'will pay singer under £3m'

The damages which Management Agency and Music will have to pay Mr Gilbert O'Sullivan, the singer and songwriter, will be substantially less than £3m as a result of an Appeal Court judgement on Tuesday, the company said yesterday.

in an original judgement against MAM two years ago, Mr O'Sullivan won an award which would have totalled about £7m for all the money to company had retained over the years from his recording and music publishing activities. But the effect of the Appeal Court judgement will be to reduce this considerably to take account of management fees and "reasonable remuneration."

 Blue chip prices weakened on Wall Street yesterday but secondary stocks remained fairly strong as the market continued its rally. The Dow Jones industrial average was up fractionally at about 1164, after

being 1169.

Gulf Oil has failed in its attempt to prevent Mesa Petattempt roleum, which is seeking control of Gulf, from raising funds or proceeding with a tender offer for Gulf shares. The District Court at Delaware denied Gulf's request for a restraining order against Mesa. In its turn, Mesa, a Texan company whose chairman is Mr T. Boone Pickens, filed a counterclaim alleging that Gulf had failed to make disclosures under federal securities laws, and had wasted corporate assets.

• The Bank of Italy will cut the Italian bank rate by one point to 16 per cent from today. but in a converse move the Belgian discount and Lombard rates will each rise by one point to 11 and 12 per cent

### SE to allow negotiated rates on foreign deals

dealings in foreign securities from April 9, as a widely expected first step in its pledge to phase out fixed broking

The move to negotiated commissions on foreign dealings - presaged at the time of agreement with Mr Cecil Parkinson, former Secretary of State for Trade and Industry last autumn, will apply to brokers and stockjobbers who have set up international dealing subsidiaries.

The Stock Exchange will The Exchange has until 1986 allow its members to switch to abolish fixed commissions negotiated commission rates on altogether. But it now looks certain that more moves will be made much sooner.

After a one-week delay, recommendations on the future of commissions on dealinga in government stock will go from the markets committee to a full meeting of the Exchange Council next Tuesday.

Most members and Stock Exchange users now seem to agree that fixed commissions should be abolished in one "big bang" rather than being phased out gradually,

# Nigerian loan crucial to developing nations

# African eyes on IMF talks

from its own national grid. In

Togo, a new cement works is

two months time.

The formal negotiations which opened yesterday in Washington between the International Monetary Fund and Nigerian finance officials over a \$3 billion loan are being watched with intense interest by

49 other African states. Until it hit its own cash crisis. Nigeria was by far the biggest lender to the African Development Bank (ADB) which funds essential projects throughout the rest of the continent.

its recent loans have brought drinking water to 125,000 Tunisians, resettled 4,500 subsistence farming families in Zimbabwe, cleared 2,200 hectares of Ethiopia for coffee growing and helped rebuild the transmission stations in the airport damaged by mercenaries tourism-dependent Sey-

Major General Mohammad Buhari, the Nigerian military due to start operating in about ruler, has gone out of his way to assure visiting leaders and ambassadors of friendly African going broke if Nigerina funds when its eight countries that he intends to dried-up — By non-regional close today.

"honour commitments entered members, including Britain into legally by the previous but it would be seriously hit.

government By the end of 1982 (the latest year for shuch figures are He has also pledged himself to "sustain existing cordial economic relations", and to available Nigeria has paid in about \$50m (£39m) to the bank, a seventh of the total amount promote the growth of Ecowas, the Economic Community of committed by African states. It West African states.

But, as one of his officials said yesterday: "We now have to make a judgement as to had promised another \$60m. It even went as far as to renounce its own rights to draw where we can spend our money. We cannot be a big brother, but loans and, encouraged by then burgeoning oil revenues, set up we would hope to still be our a separate fund in 1976, the brother's keeper. Nigerian Trust Fund (NTF). For neighbouring states, such brotherly love has had tangible which was administered by

results, particularly through joint ventures. Nigeria has built It had paid in \$79m by February 1977, and four years Niger Republic and Chad to later topped it up with \$52m. supply them with electricity

Whether Nigeria is able to make a second replenishment of the NTF, of about \$20m - or more constibutions to the ADB itself - will not be resolved when its eighth set of IMF talks

# Alexanders Discount confirms Pound up talks with unnamed bidder

Deep-water oil hunt

in 'frontier' areas

Alexanders Discount, the things still to be tidied up. I'm smallest of the top three discount houses, yesterday might be." discount houses, yesterday announced it may be the next target in the wave of financial

takeovers in the City.
Shares in Alexanders jumped
48p to close at a peak of 447p,
valuing them in the stock
market at £22.1m.
Mr Daniel Meinertzhagen,

Alexanders chairman and also chairman of Royal Insurance and a director of Brixton Estates and Tozer Kemsley & Mil-lbourn, was unavailable for comment yesterday. However, Mr Douglas Grant,

Alexanders managing director, said: "We would not have said anything had the share price not started moving up before lunch today. I cannot say how long we have been talking but we are a reasonable way down the road and hope to produce something fairly quickly. There are a few

Fall in pay

deals may

be over,

**CBI** says

By Frances Williams

Economics Correspondent

halted the downward trend of

pay deals over the past three

years came vesterday when the

Confederation of British Indus-

try revealed a slight rise in settlements in manufacturing in

Settlements averaged 5.8 per

cent compared with 5.6 per cent

in each of the three previous quarters, although they remain

below the 6.1 per cent recorded a year earlier. Two in three pay

deals were lower than pre-

But seperate figures from the

employment department show

that carnings growth, boosted

by output bonuses and higher

year. In December earnings rose

by an underlying 7.75 per cent for the fifth successive month

compared with 8 per cent a year earlier. In manufacturing earn-

ings were 9.75 per cent higher

The Government's hones for

lower inflation are not immedi-

ately threatered, however. Thanks to rapid gains in

productivity, unit labour costs in

manufacturing are now rising more slowly than at any time since the late 1960s, up by only

2.8 per cent last year from 1982.

earnings figures cover relatively

few settlements - only 8 per cent

of workers settle between the

and December - they remain uncomfortably high for a government intent on bringing

about eventual price stability.

The recent surge in pro-ductivity growth, which has tempered the impact on labour

costs, is expected to fade this

year and other countries in the

early stages of recovery are

doing even better.
The latest international

comparisons show unit wage

costs in manufacturing falling

by 2 per cent in the United States and West Germany and

Ministers are expected to

stress with renewed vigour that

lower inflation requires lower

pay deals. People in work have

enjoyed a substantial increase in

their living standards as earn-ings have out stripped inflation, now just above 5 per cent.

The 7.75 per cent encrease in

earnings contrasts with the 4.4

per cent the Government's tax and price index says is necess-

ary to maintain the real value of

take home pay.

The CBI said yesterday that there had been relatively few

concessions on working time so

far in the present pay round

with only 5 per cent of settlements including a shorter

settlements including a short-working week and 13 per cent increased holidays. But the employers' organisation gave a

warning that even this small

number may not be consistent

with improved competitiveness and more jobs.

Trends compared, page 20

standing still in Japan.

Although the latest pay and

than in December 1982.

e, scarcely slowed last

riously, the CBI said.

the final quarter of the year.

The first tentative sign that

nomic recovery may have

might be."

The group said that it has received an approach which may lead to an offer for the whole of the company. The statement said a further announcement will be made as Soon as practicable

The favourite to bid last night was Mercury Securities, owners of S. G. Warburg, the merchant bank. Through various stakes it has links with the stockbroker Rowe & Pitman and the stockjobber Akroyd & Smithers. Warburg was not available for

The stock market was also tipping Mercantile House Holdings, the financial services group, which last month was seen as a bidder for the much larger discount house of Ger-rard & National when it

Britain is to open two new . "frontier" areas for offshore oil

exploration as well as allowing drilling in the English Channel,

off Hampshire and West Sus-

The "frontier" areas are in

deep water in the Faroes and the Rockall Troughs. Drilling is

also to be allowed in deep water

The offshore blocks will be

awarded in the ninth round of

offshore licensing, which will be

launched in the spring of next

year. Details of the areas were

announced yesterday by the

The oil companies will be

encouraged to move into the

deep water areas west of

Scotland by the prospect of exploration blocks in the pre-

sent oil-producing areas of the

Companies bidding for li-

cences in the new areas will be

given preference in the allo-

cation of blocks in the mature

The department is also to

auction 15 blocks in the North

Sea to the highest bidders during the ninth round, the

object, is to ensure an early cash

return from the licensing round.

the Minister for Energy, said yesterday: The round will

for companies to explore

the

provide

Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith.

opportunity

North Sea being available.

area of the North Sea.

off the west of Shetland.

Department of Energy.

said last night that the company would not comment on any speculation. Speculative interest in discount house shares has been mounting this year in the

expectation that outside banking or financial interests might take a predatory interest However, some analysts feel that the Bank of England, which would need to approve any takeover, does not want to see discount houses owned by

The Bank underlined only late last year that it would like to see more mergers between the smaller discount houses.

Alick Buchanan-Smith: incen-

tives for exploration.

companies to undertake new

exploration and development

work in established oil and eas

areas. I am confident that the

round will help create and

Government's next privatiza-

tion candidate, has recruited

two new directors, to complete

its executive board ahead of its

flotation, scheduled for this

summer. Mr Peter Kingston, aged 41, has been appointed

technical director, and Mr John Walmsley, a 37-year-old ac-

countant and oil taxation

expert, has become financial

• Enterprise Oil,

preserve jobs

At one stage it was rumoured that Alexanders might merge with Jessel, Toynbee and Gillett annouced talks were in progress and Smith St Aubyn (Holdings).

with an unnamed bidder. At last night's share prices the Gerrard's talks were subsequently called off.

A spokesman for Mercantile against the £100m of Gerrard & the Deutschemark and sharply lower to French francs. The trade weighted index finished anchanged at 81.8, losing a notch gained at the opening.

After moving below DM2.7 from the opening, the dollar lost further ground against the Duetschemark and finished with almost a 5 pfennig fall at 2.6725. It slid over 20 centimes against the French franc at against the £100m of Gerrard & National.

The main attraction of a discount house is its intelligence on money markets, daily conand the individual skills as a market-maker.

Some have speculated that, given the changes allowed by the reforms of the Stock Exchange, it would not be difficult for discount houses to become market-makers in the short end of the gilt market, a function now carried out by the stockiobbers.

The Bank of England is unlikely to object to the principle of a discount house being owned by an outsider, given certain undertakings that the integrity and character of the house would be preserved.

Bargains: 24,006 Detastream USM Leaders Index: 10.519 up 0.56 New York: Dow Jones Average: (latest) 1166.56 up Institution

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 9,892.16 up 61.69 Hongkong: Hang Index 1090.65 up 2.31

**CURRENCIES** 

LONDON CLOSE

Sterling \$1.4425 up 1.90 cents Index 81.8 unchanged DM 3.8575 down 0.0350 FrF 11.8650 down 0.1400 Yen 336,75 up 3.0

Dollar Index 128.9 down 0.2 DM 2.6727

3 month Fr F1513/18-131/18 US rates

London Brick were still undecided on the new terms,

balanced. Hanson Trust was back in the stock market yesterday, adding to its existing 12.5 per cent stake. It is believed to have

bought another 2 per cent.

#### Hanson bid By Jeremy Warner London Brick's largest insti-

rejects

tutional shareholder. Norwich Union, is to back the company's fiercely independent stance in the face of an unwanted £247m takeowver bid from Hanson Norwich Union, which con-

trols about 4.5 per cent of the shares said yesterday that it believed the management had done enough to thwart the takeowver bid and it would not be accerpting the new terms. Mr Paul Lovett, an invest-

ment manager, said: "Because this is a contested bid the decison will ultimately have to thoroughly the frontier areas of be taken by the main board, but the UK Continental Shelf. At I will be recommending against the same time, we will enable The decison by Norwich

Union will come as a blow to Hanson Trust, which has raised the terms of its offer twice druing the eight-week-old takeover battle, in a determined effort to win the company. Most of the other large institutional shareholders of

the result is going to be finely

reinforcing the impression that

#### NEW YORK LATEST Sterling \$1,4460 Dollar DM 2.6715

INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates: Bank base rates 9 Finance houses base rate 91/2 Discount market loans week fixed 91/8-91/16 3 month interbank 97/16-91/16 **Euro-currency rates:** 3 month dollar 9<sub>2</sub>/16-9<sub>1</sub>1/16 3 month DM 9<sup>7</sup>/8-10

Bank prime rate 11.00

GOLD

London fixed (per ounce): am \$382.50 pm \$383.00 close \$384.50-\$3865 (£266.50-£2671

New York (latest): \$383.50 |Krugerrand\* (per coin): |\$396-\$397.50 (£274-£275.50) Sovereigns' (new): \$90.50-\$91.50 (£62.75-£63.50)

# SECURICOR

# A year of investment for the future

The directors of Securicor Group pic and Security Services pic announce increases in profits from the established activities of both companies, though the overall figure before tax has been reduced, as foreshadowed in the interim report, by the post-acquisition development of the air courier business.

The proposed final dividend for Securicor Group is increased by 11.1% to 1p per share and that of Security Services by 9.8% to 1.8p per share, making respective totals for the year of 1.44p

After deduction of £1,320,000 cost of development, reorganisation and expansion of the air courier business, to which reference is made later, the pre-tax profit of Securicor Group rose £115,000 to £11,522,000, while that of Security Services

shows a reduction of £481,000 to £8,945,000. United Kingdom: During the year we continued to experience severe competitive pressure on profit margins in our traditional services which we are steadily reorganising to cater for the current market as well as to take account of possible variations in the pattern of demand in the years ahead. At the same time, we have established new services to banks and other clients involving the handling, counting and specialised processing of bank notes and coin.

The United Kingdom parcels and freight services made a substantial advance during the year.

International: There was a positive performance overseas with a 7% improvement in profits to £2,142,000 from turnover up 14.2% to £30,791,000.

Apart from Holland trading has improved in all the nineteen countries in which we operate with France moving into profitability for the first time.

previously referred to, is essential to the continuing growth of

depreciation.

the highly successful United Kingdom air freight and parcels business. During recent months the 50% rate of growth in traffic handled by us internationally has far outstripped competition. There is evidence that the value of our investment in air courier is substantially in excess of development expenditure. Our agreement with British Telecom to establish a joint

venture company to develop and operate one of the two licensed cellular radio networks in the United Kingdom has immense significance for the longer term potential of both Securicor Group and Security Services.

The Future: While our newly developing services in the

Securicor Granley Systems, which has developed from its

integration with the original Securicor Alarms business, fulfilled

expectations of becoming profitable during the year and made a

substantial contribution after application of our traditional

conservative accounting policy in relation to capitalisation and

The development of the international air courier service,

handling, counting and specialised processing of banknotes and

coins are not yet making a significant profit, their early and rapid

success already gives promise of substantial future demand.

This new form of radio telephone service offers considerable advantages over other forms of radio telephones and has been described as the most significant advance in telecommunications since the invention of the telephone itself.

The directors consider that the developments in hand justify considerable confidence in the future, and the strength of the balance sheets provides a strong financial base from which to pursue the growth potential.

	SECURICOR	GROUP plc	SECURITY SE	RVICES pic
			led September 30th	
	1983 53 weeks £060	1982 52 weeks £000	1983 53 weeks £000	1982 52 weeks £000
Turnover				
UK	236,739	210,694	200,380	178,752
Overseas	30,791	26,957	20,791	26,957
	267,530	237,651	231,171	205,709
Profit before tax				
Industrial security and parcels service - UK	7,049	6,571	7,049	6,571
— Overseas	2,142	2,002	2,142	2.002
Finance, investments, and insurance	2,439	1,931	1,074	1,111
Property, hotels and vehicle division	1,212	1,161	_	_
	12,842	11,665	10,265	9,684
Air Courier (1982 = 3 months only)	(1,320)	(258)	(1,320)	(258)
	11,522	11,407	8,945	9,426
Tax	4,900	4,428	3,988	3,585
Profit after tax	8,622	6,979	4,957	5,841
Due to outside shareholders	2,442	2,896	_	36
	4,180	4,083	4,957	5,805
Earnings per share	10.3p	10.2p	10.6p	12.5p
Final Ordinary dividend (proposed)	1.0p	0.9p	1.8p	1.65p
Interim Ordinary dividend (Paid)	0.44p	0.4p	0.9p	0.82p

Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts will be available early in March from the Company Secretary, Vigitant House, 24 Gillinghem Street, London SW1V 1HZ.

latest CBI quarterly survey-ex-

tend to the jobless scene.

January's disappointing figures

have joited hopes that unem-

ployment may now be levelling

off. Few forecasters expect the

number out of work Christmas

to be significantly lower than

Contrast this with the experi-

ence of the United States.

Growth last year, on a year-on-

vear basis, was little more than

in the past 12 months the

American economy created 3

million extra jobs-more than Europe managed in a deca-de-and the US unemployment

rate has slipped to 8 per cent

of US economic expansion is

expected to slow this year the

number of jobless is forecast to

Recession has

of service jobs

Small wonder that Britain,

the National Economic

American experience: the ex-

ent willingness of workers in the

US to move job and home and

all industrial economies, though

it has reached its furthest

development in the United

States. Services now account for

three-quarters of non-agricul-

tural iemployment in the US

compared with something about 60 per cent in Britain.

The paper points out that virtually all the 13 million jobs

created in the US over the past

the number

scarcely dented

Though the recent rapid pace

from nearly 11 per cent.

go on falling

today.

#### New man to run **Blue Circle**

Blue Circle Industries: Dr Gordon Marshall, deputy group managing director, is relinquishing the day-to-day man-agement of the UK cement ing year-as evidenced by the activities. He is handing over to Mr Ketth Court, who becomes chief executive of Blue Circle Cement from April 1. Mr Marshall will continue to have overall responsibility for the

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UK operations, including BCC. C. T. Bowring: Mr J. C. Hills and Mr J. A. Thomas are now directors of Bowring UK: Mr M. J. Thornton has been appointed a director of Bowring London; Mr N. J. B. Large has become chairman and chief excutive of Bowring UK Marine Cargo; Mr W. H. Batchelor has been made chairman and Mr J. W. F. Kemp chief executive of Bowring Professional Indemnity with Mr H. M. J. Richie and Mr A. P. Sparks as directors: Mr J. M. Bozman has hecome chairman of London Insurance Brokers; Mr C. M. Auer has been made chairman and R. A. Ferguson chief executive of Bowring & Layhorn; Mr J. A. Thomas has been appointed a director, Mr J. F. Wood and Mr P. A. Buck have become directors of the international division of C. T.

Bowring Reinsurance. been appointed chairman. Mr John Ross, the present chairman, becomes deputy chairman and continues as group chief CACCULIVE.

Dowly Hydraulic Units: Mr

along with others in Europe, is looking to the US for lessons on how to translate output growth Jefferson Baguley has become production director. Carre, Orban & Partners: Sir The paper presented by Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, Pairick Meaney has joined the

inicrnational advisory board. Seligmann Rayner: Mr Laurence Rose and Mr Stanley Development Council (Neddy) Thornton have joined the last December on where the new jobs will come from, concentrated on two aspects of

company as associates.
TR ledustrial and General Trust: Mr Peter Gray, managing pansion of employment in services, and the greater appardirector of Touche, Remnant, has been appointed a director. Hargreeves Group: Mr Fane Vernon has become a nonaccept "realistic" wages.

The relative importance of services has been increasing in

executive director.

Dyno-Rod: Mr Michael
Cowler is the new financial

North Broken Hill Holdings: Mr R. L. Baillieu has been appointed deputy chairman. Regalian Properties: Mr John

Darby has become a director. Milbury: Dr Paul Mihalop has been appointed chief executive of Milbury and Mr Bill Smith has become joint manag-ing director of Westminster Property Group, a subsidiary.

# Frances Williams compares wage and unemployment trends in Britain and the US

#### The British economy grew by Why economic growth has not about 3 per cent last year-perhaps even a little more-and more than twice the rate typical of the post oil-shock 1970s. Yet translated into more jobs the impact on jobs was slight. Unemployment rose by nearly 160,000 over the year. Nor does the growing optimism that the recovery will be

Economic growth in Britain may not be making any impact on unemployment, but it does already show signs of nudging wages upwards as yesterday 's

recent wage settlements both confirm. In the United States, by contrast, real wages have lagged but many more jobs have Britain and America?

figures for average earnings and been created. Does this show a direct trade off between pay and jobs or are there other fundamental differences between rose four times as fast, reflecting higher taxes and national

WHAT HAPPENED TO BRITISH JOBS 1970s because little or no expansion is likely in public services where employment 1973-83

3.25 per cent-a pretty modest recovery by past standards. Yet The pattern in Britain has been similar. The number of jobs in service industrie (including the self-employed, two-thirds of whom work in services) has risen by 1.25 million over the past 10 years. Employment in professional and scientific services (mostly education and health) increased by half a million, followed by "miscellaneous" services (sport and leisure, restaurants, clubs and pubs, as well as many computer-based services) and insurance, banking, finance and

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business services and pro-

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business services.

The number of service jobs has scarcely been dented by the recession at a time when manufacturing employment has shrunk by a quarter. The picture has, of course, been much changed by the Employment Department's discovery the past year of nearly 900,000 extra workers - mostly in services - missed from previous

industry surveys. Service employment has been rising since the beginning of last year while the total number of those in work (including the self-employed) in all industries and services began to edge up in the spring.

However, closer examination of the figures reveals that the jobs gulf between the US and Britain lies less in the development of services than the maintenance of employment in

new jobs in America were, speaking, arithmetically services. But they were net additions to the jobs pool precisely because they were not required to offset a substantial decline in manufacturing employment which remained fairly stable over the period.

This is a critical factor in the jobs outlook. As the Neddy paper points out: "The general CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT Agriculture, forestry aud dnauding All industries and services

DID WAGES PLAY A PART? REAL UNIT 100-

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manufacturing.
It is true that almost all the expectation in the US is that in suggested a tentative upturn in the medium term employment manufacturing recruitment no-in manufacturing will begin one expects industry to take again to rise gradually or, at

worst, remain flat."
In Britian, by contrast, the increase in service jobs between 1973 and 1983 was swamped by a huge decline in manufacturing employment. As a result the total number of jobs in the economy fell by 1.5 million. Though recent months have manufacturing

back more than a tiny pro-portion of the labour shed during the recession.

1980=100

With the best will in the world it is not easy to see how employment in services can increase sufficiently over the next few years to compensate

In one important respect the climate is worse now than in the

growth was faster, in addition, most of the extra jobs have tended to be part-time work for women - not best suited to unemployed steelmen or con-The second lesson drawn by the Treasury from American

experience concerns labour flexibility. Workers in the United States change jobs more than twice as often as in Britain, they are more ready to move to where the jobs are, and they have been willing to accept lower wages. Real hourly earnings, adjusted for the rise in the cost of living, fell during the 1970's. In Britain they rose stceply.

The Government has been chipping away at obstacles to labour mobility, ranging from trade union reform to council house sales and a better pensions deal for job changers. While the details have often proved controversial the general objective has not. But ministers' insistence that real wages in Britain need to come down has aroused passionate opposition in principle as well as in

The Government argues that if labour becomes cheaper to employ companies can afford to take on more workers. Its opponents claim that cuts in real wages will dampen de-mand, stifle recovery and so inhibit industry from recruiting extra people.

The general verdict of econ-

omists who have studied this issue in Europe is that excessive growth of real wages was responsible for at least part of the rise in unemployment during the 1970s. Real wages have become too high to secure full employment, even increased levels of demand.

But it does not follow that the path to more jobs lies soley in

as a proxy for real labour costs. What matters to the employer is not wages as such but the total he has to pay out for each worker compared with the

revenue generated.

The National Institute for Economic and Social Research pointed out in its November review that realwages, measured the purchasing power of take-home pay, had risen by less than half of one per cent a year between 1972 and 1982. But the real cost of employing labour

insurance contributions. Rising government imposts (the CBI would add rates to the list) at least as much as higher real wages have helped to price people out of work. By extension, a reduction in those costs could improve job prospects £30m.

The other side of the coin is productivity. Rapid growth in output per worker can accommodate substantial increases in real wages without raising employers' costs, as recent British experience demonstrates

- though ministers are justi-fiably anxious that costs may jump if productivity growth slows as expected while curnings continue to race ahead of

Moreover, there is no doubt that a good deal of the rise in

#### The path to more iobs does not lie solely with workers

unemployment in the latest recession has been due to deficient demand rather than too high wages. In Germany, for instance, real wages fell - but so did employment. In Britain, real labour costs have been declining since 1980, but the number of jobs did not start to increase until 1983.

In these circumstances cuts in real wages will not make a significant impact on unemployment unless they an accompanied by rising demand combination which proved highly potent in the United States.

"The confusion that some unemployment is cyclical, some due to excessive levels of real wages is perhaps a let-down". one recent study admitted.\* The lessons to be drawn from American experience are not as simple as they look.

•Мастоесополіс and policies for the European Community by R Dornbusch et al, Centre for European Policy

Electra buys 25% stake in Clayform

Electra Investment Trust has paid £750,000 for 25 per cent stake in Clayform Properties. the retail development company, which intends seeking a

stock exchange listing soon.
Formed in 1980, Clayform is headed by Mr David Hyman, former chairman of the furniture chainstores group Hender son Kenton.

Clayform, which specialises in the conversion or redevelopment of large high street department stores, has a current development programme worth

This includes a £7m project at the former Rouse store in West Ealing, London where 10 of 12 new shops have been let. and a £20m joint project with Tarmac at Guildford.

Clayform has funded its developments with big institutions - partners have included Scottish Provident, Royal London and Canada Life.

Electra, which will be represented on Clayform's board, has £100m invested in unlisted secruities, more than half of its portfolio.

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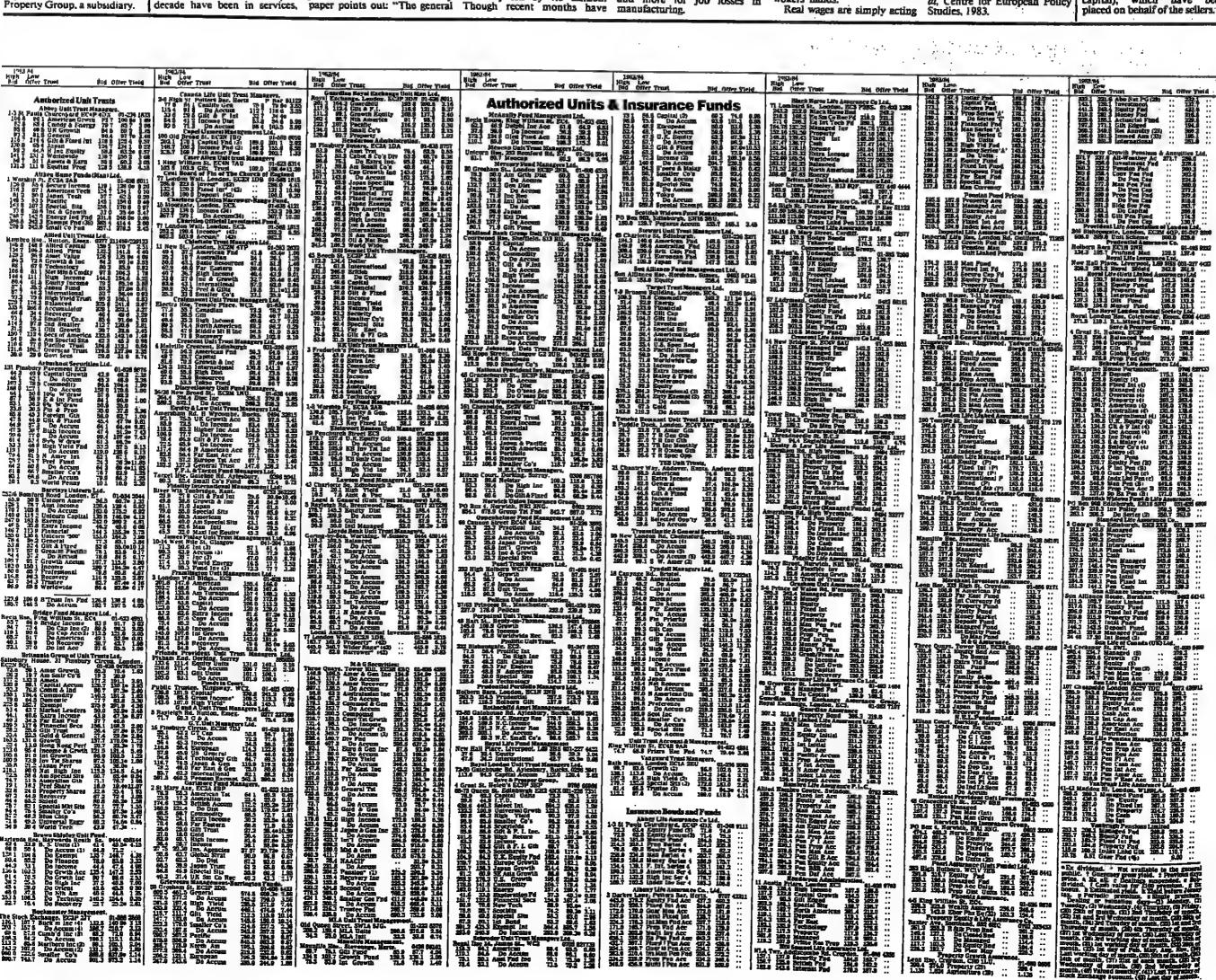
part of the business of M R Taylor and Co., a U-BIX COPPER dealer and servicing company, covering Hampshire and Dorset for £432,000, in cash, £400,000 on completion. the balance when the assets taken over have been certified.

 TR City of London Trust's gross revenue for the half-year ended December 31, 1983 rose by 15.6 per cent to £2.55m. Helped by a greater number of dividend increases and a virtual absence fo dividend cuts, net earnings per deferred stock unit increased by 18.1 per cent to

Lord Remnant, the chairman, states that the outlook in the second half looks good, but the rate of increase will be less.

• Hollis Bros E.S.A: Hollis has exchanged a contract, subject to listing and appropriwarranties, to acquire Metalliform. The acquisition is intended to be completed next Metalliform mainly makes

tubular steel furniture at Barnsley, West Yorkshire. The consideration if to be £325,000 and will be satisfied by the issue of 2,27 million new ordinary. shares of Hollis (about 3.8 per-cent of the enlarged share-capital), which have been placed on behalf of the sellers.



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#### **Tillotson** launches traded options

There were a few words of

offices of Laurie, Milbank, the

broker, after a visit by Arthur

Guinness, the brewer. The shares responded with a rise of

4p to 141p - just 6p short of the high - but Laurie, Milbank

remained coy about what was

A spokesman for the broker said: "We have been buyers of

the shares for quite a while. I didn't hear anything to alter our

Mr Ernest Saunders as manag-

ing director two years ago, the

fortunes of the ailing brewer

have turned distinctly better,

Word in the market suggests

Laurie, Milbank, which esti-

this recovery is likely to

mates profits will rise "quite

strongly" over the next couple

of years, expects a profit for the

current year of £70m, against £58.8m in 1983, For 1985, that

figure could stretch to nearer

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Fisewhere in the drinks

sector. Border Breweries rose

L. Messel, the stockbrokers, were

pleased with Tuesday's interim

figures from Fleet Holdings

result, Messel have upgraded

figure and the imminent Reuter

shares are now worth 200p, with

further upside potential should

Mr Holmes a Court increase his

9 per cent stake. The shares rose

43p to 155p after receiving an

welcomed the overnight rally on Wall Street where the Dow

Jones Industrial Average rose

by nearly 14 points. Prices were

start of business and dealers

which closed 4.5 up at 816.4,

having been 7.3 higher earlier in

the day. The Stock Exchange

Index of 100 top companies also

maintained its strong run.

Another firm performance by

31st December, 1983.

DAUGEINABLE

Highlights of the six months ended

First half pretax record up 73% to £31.3m

Earnings per share improved 80% to 23.6p

David Donne

Chairman

closing 6.0 up at 1033.0.

EXTRACTS FROM THE INTERIM STATEMENT:

\* In the United Kingdom, trading profits have again increased

\* The Canadian company has benefited from higher levels of

\* The USA companies have produced increased profits due to

\* Both weather and trading conditions have contributed to the

concluded earlier in this financial year coupled with action

taken during recent years to bring down costs, have further

the Group will result in profits being earned more evenly

throughout the year. We are confident of a much improved

strengthened the Group in key areas. The changing shape of

improved trading levels in Australia and New Zealand

\* The three major investment and divestment transactions

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By Vivien Goldsmith

Tillotson Financial Options, a subsidiary of the London Investment Trust, yesterday launched the first financial package tailor-made for the fastgrowing traded financial options market.

The service allows money managers and speculators to take a view on the future o price of currencies, bonds, gold and stock market indices such as the New York Standard and Poors or the new Stock Exchange 100 index.

By taking either a call option. which is the right to buy the underlying asset at a fixed price. or a put option, which is the right to sell at that price, traders and businessmen can limit their exposure to currency fluctuations.

But Tillotson expects that most customers will be using the markets to make dealing

The oldest option market on US Treasury bonds started only 14 months ago. The Standard and Poors index lauchched last March already averages more than 100,000 options traded per day - more than the entire number of futures contracts traded in London in a day

#### Base Lending Rates

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Nat Westminster ... 9%
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\* 7 day deposits on same of unde £10,000, 64%; £10,000 up to £50,000, 64%; £50,000 and ever. 74%;

#### MARKET REPORT • by Michael Clark

# Guinness rises as recovery is confirmed

Following the appointment of sterling on the foreign exchange in these rumours. We certainly prompted rises of up to £\(\frac{1}{2}\) have not had a bid approach.\(\frac{1}{2}\) among Government securities.

Bid speculation was again rife

There were renewed bid whispers about Gestetner, the office equipment manufacturer. where the shares jumped 12p to a new high of 93p. At least three large broking firms with strong European connections were buying the shares vesterday as close on I million shares changed hands. Mr David Gesteiner, the chairman, said: We know nothing about it.

Anything you tell me is news." Gestelner has long been tipped as a possible takeover target and over the past six months has risen from a low of 29p, but, with the Gestetner family controlling the bulk of the all-important voting sha-ress, any approach would have

showing pretax profits more than doubled to £6.39m. As a Gulf Fisheries, which handles the investments of the Kuwaiti their full year figure to £15m, compared with £9.53m last year, Royal Family, has once again cut its stake in Lourbe, the international trading giant, where it was once the largest Working on the basis of the new flotation Messel estimates the

single shareholder.
Gulf has now sold 9 million shares since the end of January. as the Lonrho price pushed towards the 130p level. At last night's 140p, Gulf's sales would valued at over £12m, Gulf still continues to own 28.6

among the discount houses where Alexanders Discount has just received an approach - on-ly a matter of weeks after bid talks between Gerrard & National and an unnamed suitor, thought to be Mercantile House, were terminated after both sides failed to agree on a management and a number of price.

A statement said it had received an approach which may, or may not, lead to an offer for the issued share capital of the company. The shares leapt 48p to a new high 447p on the news and a further announcement will be made as soon as practicable.

Gerrard & National also

responded with a rise of 10p to 307p. Other gains were witnessed in Cater Allen Holdings 15p to 478p, Union Discount 10p to 688p, Jessel Toynbee 5p to 89p. King & Shaxson 4p to 130p. Smith St Aubyn 1p to 53p and Clive Discount 1p to 51p.

The high street banks appeared firmer ahead of next month's reporting season, Barclay rose 3p to 527p, Lloyds Bank 2p to 544p, Midland 2p to 394p and National Westminster 3p to 722p.

In builders Barratt Develop-

Share prices page 18 Unit trust prices page 20

marked higher in London at the million shares, or about 10.8 per cent of the company, valued last night at £40m. It is Unfortunately, prices failed understood Gulf feels it can find to hold their best levels and this a better home for its money in US investments.

was reflected in the FT Index, TI Group, the struggling engineering concern, rose 12p to 250p amid suggestions that Electrolux the Swedish group was interested in making a bid. But, last night, TI retorted with the comment "There is nothing

ments climbed 4p to 182p after talk of a lunch with the company at the offices of the broker, Fie' ling Newson-Smith. Barratt is due to unveil interim profits next month which will be of more than passing interest to analysts who have been steadily downgrading their esti-

for pretax profits of £25m against £20.7m. For the full year the bid price of 86p.

mates this year.

the figure is expected to be about the £60m level compared with last year's figure of £52.7m. Earlier estimates were as high as £65m.

THE TIMES THURSDAY FEBRUARY 16 1984

Shares o Acrow 'A', the engineer, are being tipped as a recovery prospect and one mystery buyer has succeeded in picking up more than I million shares this week alone. Yesterday the price added lp to 22½ - for a rise on the week of 2/2p. Over the past three year pretax losses have totalled around £18m.

ve not had a bid approach."

Mr Paul Bristol's Bristol Oil

Bid speculation was again rife

Minerals has decided to have a shake-up of its oil exploration business and is selling three of its subsidiaries, including BW Mud. Northern Barite Pro-ducers and Oilfield Equipment Rentals for a total of £6.8m. The buyer is a consortium headed by the BW Mud sympathetic institutions.

Between them they have formed a company to buy all the assets, knowhow and goodwill valued at £2.23m. Net proceeds from the sale after paying back outstanding bor-rowings amounts to £4,16m.

Wood Mackenzie, the stockbrokers, are recommending Royal Bank of Scotland as a strong buy and say the price allows little for a possible bid. The group's restructuring should help push profits higher over the next couple of years and shareholders can expect above average dividend growth because of the group's vulnerability to a bid. The shares rose 4p to 224p vesterday.

Mr Bristol has already used part of the proceeds to top up his stake in Berkeley Exploration & Production, one of his old spin-offs, with the purchase of an extra 375,000 shares. Bristol Oil & Mineral now owns a total of 1.55 million shares in Berkeley amounting to 15.18 per cent. Berkeley improved 3p Mineral lost an early lead to close Ip down on the day at

Coats Patons is stepping up the pressure in its bid for control of Aero Needles, Britain's largest producer of knitting needles, with the purchase This time, they are looking by broker Rowe & Pitman in pretax profits of £25m the market of 87,000 shaes at

#### MONEY MARKETS

The Bank of England took at interest rates of 91/16 to 91/2 per account of the problems the market has been having lately in mustering adequate liquidity and included a £177m "repo" in the total £417m assistance it provided to the discount houses The bank opened with a forecast of £350m shortage and

that figure went without amendment throughout the session. assistance amounted to £356m, comprising £179m of outright purchases of bills, across all four bands at established interrention prices, and £177m of cent, with help from a swing

cent to mature tomorrow. In the afternoon, the bank bought a further £26m of band banks' bills and followed this up with late additional assistance of£35m.

Houses were still bidding in the range of 91/16 per cent to 91/2 per cent until well into the afternoon: Only after the late The midday tranche of assistance did funds start to flow. Then they gushed sufficiently to allow closing balances to be found at rates anywhere between 74 per cent and 4 per purchase and resale agreements the exchequer accounts.

#### COMMODITIES

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#### "Significant improvement in 1983"

£176m \* Turnover increased to £8.6m★ Pre-tax profit increased to 2.33p\* Dividend per share increased to £6m \* Capital expenditure increased to

Each Division achieved a better trading result than in the previous year and the performance of the Group's consumer products activities, which are now approaching 50% of turnover, was excellent.

It is expected that the Group will continue to make progress in 1984.

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# WALL STREET

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#### **Property bolsters** Crest **Nicholson**

By Andrew Cornelius

Crest Nicholson, the construction and industrial holding group, yesterday reported a £288,000 increase in pretax profits to £7.01m in the year to October 31 after strong growth from its property development activities.

The progress was achieved despite extraordinary charges of £463,000 after the decision to pull out of the Coronet-EM pump and generator business which was hit by falling orders from its established markets in the Middle East and West Africa. Profits from the commercial

and industrial businesses were also held back by reduced contributions from the ophthalmic business of the Crofton Group and the international yacht brokerage operation. Borrowings rose to £13.8m

against net cash of £3.2 million at the end of last year, largely because of the increased activity in the property division which helped boost group turnover from £56m to £72m.

Mr Roger Lewis, chief executive, said the board is confident there will be further real growth in profits in the current year. The acquisition of the Greenwood Group, in Reading, which supplies soldering equipment and tools to the electronics industries and the acquisition of the BVC industrial vacuum business will help the growth.

The BVC deal also provided 22 acres of freehold property near the M25 in Surrey

The board is recommending payment of an increased final dividend of 2.1p per share, making 3.35p for the year. against 3.15p last time.

# Talks boost Border **Breweries' shares**

eries (Wroxham) leapt 43p to 155p yesterday after news that the company is in takls with a brewer is valued at £8.3m.

Possible bidders are thought to be Wolverhampton & Dud-ley, Greenall Whitley and Whitbread, which owns 17 per cent of the company's shares. Traditionally Whitbread has held large shareholdings in small brewers to deter other companies from bidding.

#### In brief

 Dalgety, the agricultural and trading group, yesterday an-nounced the £32m disposal of its American vegetable and soft fruit freezing business. Dalgety Foods, to J R Simplot of Boise. Idaho.

The proceeds for the disposal will be used to reduce group borrowings of £250m by £24m, with the balance to be taken as stock in the new company formed by Simplot, In the year to the end of last June Dalgety Foods made pretax profits of £700,000 on turnover of \$100m. ● Joseph Webb: Half-year to

Sept 30, 1983. Figures in £000. Turnover 3,223 (2,505). Trading profit 653 (326). Pretax profit 452 (95), after interest 200 (232)- Tax 298 (16). Interim payment: 0,13p net a share (same).

O Reliance Industrial Holdines: Half-year to Oct 31, 1983. Interim payment up from 0.85p to 0.94p net a share. Figures in £000. Board reports that the outcome for the full year is difficult to predict. Trading up to Christmas was buoyant, but the pattern of trading afterwards always takes a few weeks to establish. However, the Chairman would be disappointed not to see a continuing improve-

The shares of Border Brew- General Consolidated In vestment Trust: Dividend for 1983 raised from 7p to 7.65p net a share. Figures in £000. Revenue 2,531 (2,358). Franked dividends and interest 1,503 (1,504) and unfranked dividends and interest 1,028 (854). Interest payable 28 (38). Expenses 144 (137). Pretax revenue 2,359 (2,183). Tax 869 (804). EPS 7.61p (7.31p).

Reed Executive: Results for

first 52 weeks of current 15-month period. Figures in £000. Turnover 36,045 (33,916 for preceding year). Pretax profit 1,011 (loss 820). Total dividend declared so far is 0.2p net a share, against 0.1p for previous

уеаг. Chairman reports that the reorganization of 1982 andearly 1983 will ensure there is a sound foundation for growth

this year.

• RM Douglas (Holdings):
Half-year to Sept 30, 1983. Interim payment unchanged at 0.375p net a share. Figures in £000, Turnover 64,203 (65,374). Trading profit 1,994 (1,505). pretax profit 200 (loss 96), after depreciation 1.876 (1.704) and redundancy costs 83 (nil). Tax

Simmer and Jack Mines: No dividend for 1983. Figures in Rd (Rd equals £1,95). Net inc 967 (2,074). Tax 437 (873).

Oiv for 1983, 15 per cent. Figures in Danish Kr millions (Kr equals £14.66) Divs, interest and commission received 5576.5 (6012.9). Interest paid 4038 (4309). Other ord inc 476.3 (406.5). Pretax profit 2246.2 (663.5) after salaries and pensions 1105.2 (1016.), other expenses 463.6 (422.1), provisions for bad and doubtful debts 300 (434). Tax 862.2 (186.1). Transfer from inv fund 30 (30) and from prior year

# Securicor steady with £11.5m

Within the Securicor Group,

Securicor Group, the communications and services company, raised its pretax profits ractionally from £11.4m to Ell.5m in the year to the end of eptember,

The final dividend has been increased by 0.1 p to 1p net, to give a full payout for the 12 months of 1.44p net against

At the same time, Securicor Services, the listed security company which is 50.7 per cent owned by Securicor Group, suffered a fall in pretax profits for the same period from £9.43m to £8.94m. But its final dividend of 1.8p net produces a total for the year of 2.7p, up

from 2.47p net.

the finance, investvestments and insurance division pushed up its pretax contribution from £1.93m to £2.44m. Property. hotels, and vehicles also saw their collective share increase from £1.16m to £1.21m.

Pretax profits for the British operations as a whole showed an improvement of £500,000 over the previous year to £7.05m, while overseas profits grew by £140,000 to £2.14m.

A significant pointer to the future was the £1.32m pretax profit made from the air courier service, compared with the £258,000 carned in the first three months of its operations in 1982-83.

The group claims that the volume of traffic handled in the past year has grown by 50 per cent. a much faster rate than that achieved by competitors. The group claims that the

value of the investment in the

air courier services may now be bigger than the development costs. Great store is also being put by the agreement with British Telecom to establish a joint venture to operate one of the two licensed cellular radio

networks. Securicor Granley Systems, the alarm business, traded profitably last year. Securicor Group's turnover rose from

£238m to £267m.

# **Commercial Property**

# Profitable farm leasebacks

detailed analysis of the income. Gross rents are higher investment performance of the on leaseback land. Savills different types of let farms held suggest, because the vendor/ different types of let farms held by the financial institutions, published today, shows that of the three main types - lease-backs, let estates and other FR1 (full repairing and insuring) farm tenancies - leasebacks have in recent years proved the most profitable.

This conclusion comes in an occasional paper in the Savills/RTP agricultural per-formance analysis, which covers 429 let properties in institutional ownership totalling 451,000 acres.

During the period December 1976-December 1982, the financial institutions in the analysis acquired some 258.000 acres of let farmland, more than half the let land now held by them. Whereas at the end of 1976 the acreage held on traditional estates (groups of farms managed as a single unit) was only slightly less than that acquired by sale and leasebacks, a significant shift towards leasebacks took place during the period under review. Of the farmland purchased by the funds in 1982, 64 per cent was on sale and leasebacks and 27 per cent on traditional estates.

At present traditional estates account for 37 per cent of the acreage held by the financial institutions, while 45 per cent was acquired by sale and leaseback and 15 per cent is held as other FRI farms. Another shift is under way, however, because the substan-tial increase in the vacant possession premium since 1982 has considerably reduced acqui-sition by the sale and leaseback

During the study period, the analysis shows that leasebacks have performed slightly better than the other types, although over a shorter period, compe-tition by funds for leasebacks has reduced their performance as high initial rents has reduced The analysis concludes that

leasebacks show the highest total return on investment because of greater capital growth and higher levels of net

tenant is likely to agree to a high initial rent to maximize the sale price. In addition, leaseback farms are generally the most profitable units because of their size, standard of fixed equipment and quality of tenant.

A further advantage is that outgoings are lower on lease-backs than on other farms (less than one third of those incurred on traditional estates), but there is a disadvantage in that, because of the high initial rent, income growth has been slower than on other farms, and has not matched the rate of inflation from 1976 to 1982.

When rental and capital growth are combined, lease-backs are shown to achieve the greatest total return, averaging 19.2 per cent a year. Traditional estates have produced an average of 18.1 per cent a year during the study period and other FRI farms show 17.5 per cent a year.

Local authorities in the

north-west of England are criticized in a report for their lack of realism and apparent insensitivity to the needs of the business world in the region.
Writing in Review 1983-84 by
W. H. Robinson, chartered
surveyors, Mr Hugh Richards,

serveyors, Mr Hugh Richards, senior partner, emphasized the difficulty of obtaining planning consent for development. "There still appears to be an inability on the part of some local authorities to grasp the realities of the economic situation and although this is not a ation and, although this is not a universal criticism, we in this office continue to see long delays in the planning process and some unrealistic conditions applied to consents when eventually obtained."

He accepts that good plan-

ning and development control is essential, but believes that the detail into which many planning authorities go. and the influence that they seek to exert upon the design of buildings. are "often unacceptable and run counter to the needs of the development industry and business generally".

Mr Richards exempts several local authorities for their cooperation, but urges that it is the interests of councils to consider the views of the business community "which provides by far the greatest share of the rate income, and being disenfranchised, is unable to influence the final determi-

nation of the rate poundage".

A £50m development in the London Docklands is now under way with the exchange of contracts between the London Docklands Development Corporation and Tarmac Properties Limited, for a 200 year lease of the eight acres of Heron Quays in the Enterprise Zone on the Isle of Dogs.

The development will be carried out in a continuous rolling programme scheduled to be completed by the end of 1989. The scheme will contain over 500,000 square feet of new development, including about 300,000 square feet of offices, business apartments, high tech and industrial; 24,000 square feet of retail and amenity space and more than 200 units of residential accomadation ranging from on to five bedrooms. It is estimated that the develop-ment, when completed, could provide employment for about 1,500 people.

Tarmac will be paying a basic land premium of £1.2m to the corporation, who will also share in the equity of the develop-

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principle in any pro-fessional plans for their future between Christopher Dean and Jayne Torvill that they should remain true to the artistic integrity which makes them supreme amateur champions and such an

idyllic young couple. On St Valentine's morning Dean gave his partner an orchid. We cannot know of what it spoke, yet it was symbolic of the intensely shared creative brilliance which would win them the ice-dance Olympic gold medal that evening, with an unprecedented 12 maximum marks from the nine judges. As with the greatest exponents of theatrical dance, the romance and tragedy of their Bolero rose above any question of personal affection, which there undoubtedly must be, to have sustained nine years of mutual devotion.

So mentally tense was Dean that after a celebration party in the British section of the Village, which continued long after Princess Anne left at 1.30 am, he was

The stars who became suns in the Olympic firmament awake again after only two hours' sleep. Miss Torvill lay dreaming till late, when she was woken, characteristically of this city, by a chambermaid giving her flowers of personal appreciation. Downstairs, among dozens of telegrams, was one from the Oucen: "Many congratulations on a superb performance which we watched

with great pleasure". If Torvill and Dean achieved the illusion of being in another world, somehow apart from the rest of the competitors, it was indeed so; a performance instinctive rather than conscious. "We weren't with the audience last night, we were with each other," Dean said yesterday morning, talking in that unassuming way which makes the vision of his choreography such an astonishment. He added: "It was a sort of hypnotic trance, in which all the work

you have done before comes out of you." They discreetly but insistently deny that they are likely at present to marry, yet admit they cannot contemplate working without each other, whether performing professionally or teaching. "We could only coach as a couple," Dean said, almost thinking aloud, smiling benignly and

confection.

Olympic champions often tell you that everything, thereafter, in their lives is an anticlimax. Torvill and Dean do not yet know where they are going, except that after the world championships in Ottawa in March, where they must surely win for the fourth year, they step off the kerb into an uncharted area of commerce.

There is no established ice-dance theatre, as opposed to the individual figure skating showmanship of the former gold medalists, John Curry and Robin Cousins, or the Americans Dorothy Hammill, Peggy Fleming, and Charlie Tickner, bronze medalist at Lake Placid.

It is said that Hammill, the gold medalist in 1976, can carn £15,000 a week, and Tickner more than half that: it is probable that Cousins, with his own Electric Ice company, which ran for 15 weeks at Victoria Palace last autumn and returns to Bristol soon, earns even more. It would be surprising if he had not taken more than a half a million pounds over four years, including his two and a half seasons world-

provocatively at a press gathering which was working up a souffle of Mills and Boon with Holiday on Ice, and the US not want to change their conception. I wouldn't want to, they won't." professional circus, Pro-Skate, at Madison iuare Garden.

subtle, refined inspiration? It was noticeable that here in Sarajevo it took a week for the audience to switch on to what they were seeing and in the original set pattern programme the mood was flat. Are Torvill and Dean in a sense too clever for the audience they already have, and the restricted physical circumstances of an ice rink too unsophisticated for the milieu to which they aspire?

Discussing their prospects, Cousins says: "I was lucky. Most of the medallists in 1980 were eastern European, and everyone commercially was wanting me. This year, there are Scott Hamilton and Rosalyn Sumners. It has been said that the gold medal for Sumners is the difference between two million and two thousand dollars.

"Ice dancing is not on the Pro-Skate circuit, but it might pick up when Chris and Jayne are free of the regulations imposed by competitive dancing. The important thing for them is that they will become champions.

Dean said yesterday that the ideal would What is the market for Dean's more be to establish an "academy of ice dance" btle, refined inspiration? It was notice- in Nottingham, or, more probably, in London, but in conjunction with commercial performances. "I cannot see a school working out as a commercial concern. It is too expensive. At the moment, what happens after Ottawa is a full stop. We don't know the next paragraph."

It is estimated that Nottinghamshire council have spent £53,000 sponsoring their two modest citizens over the past four years, and investment in projection for Nottingham which has been absurdly cheap. Yet Dean was quick to point out that sponsorship, the finance to be able to train in Germany, was not the most basic factor in producing champions.

"It is determination," he insists. "Whatever the sport, you have got to spend the time." And Miss Torvill adds: "Without sponsorship, maybe it would have taken longer." There was a calm certainty in her tone which did not allow for the possibility they might not have

the most arduous competition yet, because of rest days between each of the three programmes, with judges and press being

present every time they practise. We may deride a judging system which gives perfect marks even when Miss Torvill touches the ice with one hand, a system which is arbitrary and suspect in its results, as are other judged competitions such as dressage, diving, gymnastics and boxing. Yet no rival competitor, judge, journalist or spectator has had the slightest doubt this past week that the British couple are

From the first moment of the "Bolero" when they have risen from their knees off the ice, made two sinuous, erotic gestures of the hip, and then glide away in a sudden, ominous crouch loaded with dire premonition, they captivated an audience of millions. "I never saw them perform before like they did last night," said Marie Therese Kreiselmayer, their host at the Obersdorf rink in Germany, where they train. It was indeed a trance: whether it was sport really became irrelevant. It elevated the Olympics.

WINTER OLYMPICS

It's the thought that

# Botham evens a score and then runs out of luck

CRICKET

Seeing Botham run out, when 70 not out and in full flight, by an adamant Foster is perhaps the one enduring memory from a final day's play in the Test series. The third Test match was a predictable draw and New Zealand won the Jordan Rosebowl, the silver trophy awarded the winners of England-New Zealand contests for the first

There was a smell of cordite in the air when Hadlee took the third new ball of the match, with England 355 for five. The follow-on saved, in the 102nd over of England's first innings, seven wickets down.

Hadlee and Botham are born opponents, when facing each other, bowling or batting, there is always the atmosphere of the duel. Hadlee, with his wide-brimed hat and thin moustace, even walks like a gunfighter. Nothing sinster about Botham. He always carries an air of bonest improvisation yet is deadly with it. Botham has not forgotten the caning Hadlee gave him on that fatal Friday afternoon in Lancaster Park and today was to be a moment of retribution.

Hadlee bowled one loosener with the old ball that Botham ignored as a blank shot. The first delivery of the new ball crashed through extra cover for four. The second was despatched, even faster, to the boundary, square on the offside. The third went back past Hadlee, as straight as a bullet and the last two balls of the over were wisely pitched too wide for

**ENGLAND** 

Martin Crowe had earlier 11 runs without further risks been hit by Botham for 18 off and was 70 when he drove one over before Randall, who had been overtaken by his familiar dithers in the nineties,

From Derek Hodgson, Auckland

was forced to take the single for his seventh Test century (342 minutes, 12 fours) by Botham simply charging down the pitch after Randall had besitated over taking a single from a tickle to

Scoreboard

NEW ZEALAND: First Innings: 495-9 declared (J G Wright 130, J J Crowe 128, I D S Smith 113 not out; R G D Wate 3-109, V J Marks 3-119). Second Insings 

ENGLARD: First Immings
G Fowler c Smith b Reidee
C L Smith c Smith b Cairne
A J Lamb Ree b Cairne D W Randell g Wright b Chattle tR W Taylor at Smith b Boock

BOWLING: Hadies 43-12-91-2, Cairra 40-20-52-2, Boock 61-3-28-103-3, Chatfield 45-21-72-2, M Come 17-5-52-0, Coney 13-8-13-0, Howarth 7-1-18-0. First Test, at Wedington drawn. Second Test, at Christchurch: New Zealand won by kmings and 13 rgss.

Randall was then caught at cover at 371, Marks fell to a lively Chatfield and Botham was 59 when he was dropped by the solitary slip, Jeff Crowe, off Hadlee. He then added another

NEW ZEALAND v ENGLAND TEST AVERAGES

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B L Calms...
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E J Chatfield...
S L Boock ....

Third Test, at Auckland: drawn,

Il runs without further risks Hadlee powerfully to extra cover. Coney threw his long frame in the right direction and just managed to stop the ball, by which time Botham was halfway down the pitch. Foster, sceing the interception, halted two yards from his crease and turned back. Botham, stranded. gave the young man a glare be may well remember in his

benefit season. Foster then chose discreetly to guide along Willis and Cowans for another 43 runs. He drove Boock for a fine straight six and he and Cowans added 43 in an hour for the last wicket, threatening briefly the record of 59 set by Knott and Gifford at Trent Bridge in 1973. When the captain was asked later what Botham said to Foster on his return to the dressing room, he found the equivalent of the soccer manager's timehonoured excuse for missing the sending-of incidet. "I was watching the ball at the time."

Willis said: "I wasn't there", then smiled. The captain rightly had high praise for the two men most responsible for guiding England out of peril: "We chose Chris Smith because we felt he would take some getting out on this pitch. Randall is not everyone's cup ot tea in England but he does show others with more ability how to stay in on good pitches and make runs.

Willis admitted that England's bowling had not shown the hoped-for penetration but praised Cowans's development:

Andrea Schoene leading East Germany to a clean sweep in the 3,000m speed skating

# All 3,000m medals go East

Sarajevo (Reuter) - Andrea
Schoene led an East German sweep
of all three medals in the 3,000
metres yesterday, the last event of
the Olympic women's speed skating
programme. Miss Schoene set an
Olympic record of 4 minutes 24.79
seconds to heat her team collections seconds to beat her team colleague and double gold medallist, Karin Enke, into second place.

Miss Enke, who won the 1,000 metres and 1,500 metres events, recorded 4 minutes 26,33 seconds and also broke the 1980 Olympic record of 4 minutes 32,13 seconds set by Bjoerg Eva Jensen, of Norway. Gabie Schoenbrunn completed the East German triumph by taking third place in 4 minutes 33.13 seconds.

Miss Schoene, who was second in the 3,000 metres as a 15-year-old at the 1976 Olympics and fourth in 1980, set a fast pace from the start as she skated in the first pair. She was on a world record shedule at 1,800

#### Germans Charging slip and Czech held slide to gold by Norway

Sarajevo agencies - Hans Stangassinger looked to have put himself and his partner out of contention for and his partner out of contention for the luge doubles gold medal yesterday when, trailing the Soviet pair of Belousov and Belyakov after the first run, he made a mistake near the start of the second. But the West

Germans recovered to win, "I thought this is it. We'll just have to risk everything now, Stanggassinger said. After that the run went perfectly."

Coming out of the labyrinth at the bottom of the second run Stanggas-singer and his partner, Franz Wembacher, still lagged behind the two Moscow students by more than a tenth of a second overall, but made the time up in the remaining four seconds to win by four hundredths of a second.

The West German sled, second after the first run in 41.880 seconds, set the fastest time of the event in the second with 41,740 seconds.

BOXING

# Counts for the US Sarajevo (Agencies) - Rosalyn Summers, who won the world women's figure skating title last year, led the Olympic competition after the compulsory figures here yesteday. Elena Vodorezova, the Russian who was third in the world championship and rungeragin in the Championship and rungeragin in the

championship and runner-up in the 1983 European event, is second. She missed last month's European competition in Budapest.

The gold medal challenge now seems to be reduced from the four-cornered battle it was expected to be down to a control between the cornered to be down to a control between the means to be control to the control between the means to be down to a control between the control to a control to a control to a control between the control to a c

down to a contest between summers and Katarina Witt, the current European champion, who is third. Vodorezova and Sandra Cariboni, who is fourth, are not expected to remain in contention during the two free skating sections of

free skating sections of the competition.

Elaine Zayak, the 1982 world champion from the United States, who was rwellh after the opening figure, dropped to thriteenth at the second and remained there after the third. Considered a gold medal contender after recovering from the cartle injury which forced her out of ankle injury which forced her out of last year's world championship, Zayak who is 18 was disappointed to be so far down the field. Sumners, said: "I'v never feit more comfortable or confident in

Summers trailed the opening figure to Vodorczova but took over the lead by winning the second, Although the Russian, aged 20, took the final figure. Sumners kept the lead. But she will have plenty to fear from Witt who said: "I'm happy to be third. I didn't expect better than that.

"This is a good result for me. Last year in Helsinki I was eighth after a very had third figure. But today I skated them all quite well." With skated them all quite well. Witt was a fine short programme, which she will skate today and she should put a lot of pressure on Sumners in that section.

That would leave the free skating finale on Saturday night to determine who succeeds Anett Poetrsch. Of East Germany, as Olympia champion.

Olympic champion of the Soviet

Union, who was fourth in the European championships, held fifth place ahead of the West German, Manuela Ruben, and the Russian, Anna Kondrasheva. These two were

# Swiss furious as jury call off downhill again

Sarajevo (Agencies) - Bad visibility and a hole in the course forced officials to call off the women's downhill for the third time yesterday. Ten of the 32 skiers had already tackled the Mount Johorina piste before the race was stopped.
Officials first said the event

would be restarted, but then decided it could not take place at all yesterday. I is now scheduled to be rerun this morning, before the men's downhill. men's downhill -

In extreme cold and poor visibility, the race had started as planned and immediately one of the pre-race favourites, Michela Figini, of Switzerland, acheived a fast time. Five minutes later, however, the Canada, lost control of one of her skis in a hole near the half-way point and the Canadians protested

stoppage had already occured when Elizabeth Chand, of France, had refused to leave the starting gate

because of fog.

After the stoppage, theyt started working on the hole. All I asked for was a rerun, Chapman said. The Canadians had in fact argued that

work on the hole - where Ivana Valesora, of Czechoslovakia had also lost a ski-constituted a change in track conditions. The jury agreed and a rerun was ordered. But then it was decided to

bondon the race. Not surprisingly, the abandon-

ment provoked an angry outburst from the Swiss, who were leading the race. They were the minority.

The Swiss team, were furious.

"they treat us like kids. It's worse than the swiss." than a Mickey Mouse race," the World Cup downhill leaders, Maria Walliser said.

The Swiss coach, Dieter Bartsch, said: "There was no c the race to prepare the hole. It's easy to prepare the piste. Unfortuntely there are people on the jury who have not had much experience."

point and the Canadians protested about the conditions.

At that point, according to the Canadian coach, Curtle Chapman, a stoppage had already occured when coach Canadian coach Curtle Chapman, a stoppage had already occured when coach Canadian c

Nordic skiling: man'≤ (4x100km cross country retay.

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BBC1-TV: 10.55am-12.30pm and 1-1.45pm= (downhill): \_2' 6.40-7.30pm (women's figure skating); 10.20-11pm (men's figure skating).

#### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

NORDIC SKIING

Miss Aunli, the veteran of the team at 27, had almost 30 seconds of her lead snipped away on the NORDIC SKIING

WOMEN'S 4:SKM CROSS-COUNTRY RELAY:

1. Norsey, 1hr 5min 49.7sec; 2,
Czechostovakia, 1:07:34.70; 3, Finland,
1:07:36.70; 4, USSR, 1:07:55.00; 5, Sweden,
1:09:30.00; 6, Switzerland, 1:09:40.30; 7, US,
1:10:48.40; 8, East Germany, 1:11:10.70; 9,
1:10:48.40; 8, East Germany, 1:11:10.70; 9,
1:11:12:30; 10, Yugosskuta, 1:13:45.10;
11, 1:18:36.20; 12, China, 1:21:19.50.

WITHACH'S 2, 000 ARCTORCA 4, A CHING final lap by Kvetoslava Jeriova but still managed to bring Norway the gold medal by a comfortable 45 seconds in one bour six minutes

WOMEN'S 3,000 METRES: 1, A Schoone Winter S 3, Jahr Mit Hels: 1, A Schoons (EG) 4min. 24.79sec; 2, K Enke (EG), 4:33.13; 4, 0 Plenshkova (USSR), 4:34.42; 5, Y Van Gennip (Neth), 4:34.80; 6, M Docter (US), 4:36.25; 7, B Jensen (Nor), 4:36.28; 8, V Jalenkova (USSR), 4:37.36; 9, N Petruseva (USSR), 4:37.36; 10, N Swider (US), 4:0.10.

FIGURE SKATING

1.8: 4, S Cariboni (Switz), 2.4: 5, K iverciva (USSR), 2.0: 6, M Ruben (MG) 3.6: 7, A Kondracheva (USSR), 4.2, 8, S Dubrauce: (Yug), 4.8: 9, C Leistner (WG), 5.4: 10, K Thomson (Car) 5.0, GB Placing: 19, S Jackson 17.4

LUGE

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(42,333/41,934), 124,355; 7, Y Eyrsay/C

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142,400/42,251, 1,24,651; 10, H Brunner/W

Brunner (II) (42,039/42,749), 1,24,788.

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 Ice hockey results in For the WOMEN'S COMPULBORIEN 1. Summers: Record on Page 23.

#### **RUGBY LEAGUE**

# Smith moves up as Wood pulls out of French game

By Keith Macklin played at Craven Cottage. Fulham, on Sunday on a double bill in which the main feature will be the attractive championship game

John Woods, the experienced nternational utility back from Leigh, has withdrawn from the Leigh, has withdrawn from the Great Britain squad for tomorrow night's game with France at Headlingley. He has also withdrawn from consideration for a place on the Australasian tour in the Woods, who went on the last tour

in 1979 and was a prolific points-scorer on a disappointing tour, gives family and business responsibilities as his reasons.
His place in the squad, where he

was substitute back, is taken by Mike Smith, of Hull Kingston Rovers, who moves up from reserve to travel. Kevin Beardmore, the Castleford hooker, joins the squad next Tuesday for special weekly training sessions after David Watkinson, the Kingston Rovers hooker, broke a lee.

tooker, broke a leg.
Len Casey, another Hull KR
nternational forward, has also pulled out of the game with hamstring trouble, and his replace-ment is Kevin Ward, of Castleford. The fourth Varsity match will be

attractive championship game between Fulham and Wigan.

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY: S Howtt (Bradford GS. Peterhouse): G Tomanson (Wistehaven GS. Wolfson). N Smith (High Wycomber RGS.)

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between Fulham and Wigan.

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#### **TODAY'S FIXTURES**

Outside Schiller Amateur Doubles
Outside Curb, West Kensington, 5.30)
SQUASH RACKETS:International

#### Playing W Indies at their own game inexperienced Australians but Hughes said: "We've got to make sure behind every but there is a body BRIDGETOWN, (Reuter) Barbados beat Jamaica by 164 runs to win the Shell Shield cricket townament for the 11th time in 18

before the ball hits the stumps. That

that's the only way to beat the West

Indies. Then it is up to our balsmen to make 350 to 400 runs every time

we go to the crease.

Dennis Lillee, who has been suspended from the game in Australia until March I, has gone to India to play in two testimonial matches for Bishen Bedi and Earnoth Engineers and in the control of t

Farookh Engineer, and in a two-day

Sydney. (AFP) - Despite their comparative inexperience, the Australian captain, Kim Hughes, vesterday claimed that Australia are the only side capable of playing the West Indies at their own game.

Speaking at Sydney Airport before the 16-man Australian team left for an 11-week tour of the West Indies, Hughes said: "I believe we're

G Fowler R G D WI

the only cricket team with the power, particularly in the bowling, to make the inroads into their batting."
The West Indies attack will provide a stern test for the double wicket competition.

top British runners and have thrown the field open to "up to a thousand" club runners. The proceeds will go

to the British Olympic Appeal.

De Castella, who had not previously been rated as a cross country runner, finished seventh in last year's world championships in Gateshead. He went on to beat the previously undefeated (in a mara-

thon) Alberto Falazar in the

Rotterdam Marathon in April. De Castella is alleged to have won



something approaching £15,000 for what was considered to be the unofficial race for the world's best. De Castella, however, kept the record straight by winning the first

excelled during the indoor scason, attempts a double in the AAA under-20 championships at Cosford at the weekend. He will complete in both the 60 and 200 metres as preparation for the Tenantalian for the Te preparation for the European Indoor Championships at Gothen-

list who is unbeaten after six professional appearances.

in a previous meeting.

BOWLS: The World Indoor Bowls
Council will decide during the
British Isles championships at Folkestone early next month whether or not to transfer the world championship from Coatbridge, where it has been played since it

Pijnen have taken the lead in the Milan six-day race. Moser and Pijnen took the overall lead from Guido Bontempi of Italy and the West German Dietrich Thurau fve minutes before the close of a onehour American pursuit.

LEADING STANDINGS (after four days): 1, Moser-Finen 185 points: 2, A Doylett Whogins: 3, G Bortempt (Id/D Thurau (Wild) 103, one leg behind.

# Leonard advised to stay out of the ring

New York, (Reuter) - Doctors have advised the former world welterweight champion Sugar Ray Leonard not to box again after undergoing surgery on his right eye. The 27-year-old American, who retired from the ring in November 1982 because of a partially detached retina in the left eye, was planning a comeback fight against favin Howard on February 25. The bout has now been postponed indefinitely. Dr Edward Ryan, a retina specialist at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Hospital in Boston, said: "I would not recommend that he fights but if the eye heals properly I could not prevent him from fighting." Dr Ryan operated on Leonard's farther damage. We decided right away that he should not fight" away that he should not fight away that he should not fight a check up showed the retina was loose. He said Leonard's left eye, was planning a comeback fight against favin which was also operated on 1 1982, was fine but said that without has now been postponed indefinitely. Dr Edward Ryan, a retina specialist at the Massachusetts Eye tolerated the procedure very well",

Sarajevo (AP) - A Norwegian team anchored by the former World

Cup champion, Berit Aunii, proved too much for fast-finishing Czecho-slovakia in the 4x5-kilometre

Miss Jeriova, a bronze medal

winner in the five-kilometre race won by Marja-Liisa Haemaelainen of Finland, turned the tables on the double gold medal winner with the fastest lap of the day, 16:12.6. That allowed the Czechoslovaks, who started the final lan in fourth where

started the final lap in fourth place behind Norway, the Sovie Union and Finland, to take the silver medal with a final time of 1:07:34.7.

women's cross-country relay.

# Navy make most of their chances

By Sydney Friskin Royal Navy..... Civil Service ...

Fitness and determination prevailed over skill and experience at Portsmouth, where the Royal Navy achieved a surprise victory over the Civil Service yesterday. It was a profitable exercise for the Navy, who will go into the Services championship, at Aldershot on March 5, with their confidence

Civil Service appeared to miss Luffman, last year's centr-half, who has joined the Royal Air Force, but they still had enough talent on hand to put the Navy under considerable pressure for long periods. They forced eight short corners in the first

The Navy, whose main strength lay in defence, were always dangerous on the break fully exploiting the accelerating power of Drury on the left wing. Off their first move of consequence, Drury just failed to reach a back pass.

The Navy defence, despite conceding numerous short corners, stood up well, until the 26th minute, when their goalkeeper recklessly kicked the ball on to Newell's stick. While trying desparately to clear

While trying desparately to clear their lines, they conceded another short corner, from which Langutra scored off Gill's back pass.

Persistence brought the Navy a rich reward, when Evans scored in the 16th minnte, off the second of

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ATHLETICS **Bolton prelude** to world championship By Pat Butcher Rob de Castella, the world marathon champion, is to run in a specially staged cross country race in Bolton on March 18, as a prelude to competing in the world championships in New York the following week. De Castella is passing through Britain on his way to New York, and since it is the summer track season at home in

Australia his agents approached Vince Regan, the organizer of the British Marathon in Manchester, to De Castella: warm-np. ordish Marathon in Manchester, to see if de Castella could get into a local race as a warm up.

Regan, with Mike Deegan and Ron Hill. co-organizers, decided instead to put on a special 10,000 metres race. They are inviting the top Rejich support and have the property of HAF world championship in Helsinki last August.

Adeoye Mafe of Hounslow, the 17-year-old sprinter who has

> burg, in March. Mafe won the AAA senior 200 metres indoor title in January, twice beating the experienced American

IN BRIEF Waith steps in for a return against Pyatt

years. Yet Jamaica have a chance to share the 1984 crown if they beat Windward Islands and Barbados lose to Guyana without gaining a point in their final matches starting

Jamaica were set a victory target of 367 which always looked beyond them. Wickets fell steadily after Barbados declared their second innings at 290 for nine. Jamaica

were all out for 202 just before tea.

Cliff Gilpin, of Telford, has pulled out of his scheduled light pulled out of his scheduled light middleweight bout with the former ABA champion Chris Pyatt at Leicester's Granby Halls on March 15. Billy Waith, the Welsh welterweight champion, steps in as substitute opponent against the Commonwealth Games gold medality who is transfer six. Waith, who will be having his 98th contest, was stopped by Pyatt

started in 1979.
CYCLING: Francesco Moser of Italy and his Dutch partner Rene

half, and nine in the second, scoring only off one of them, albeit indirectly.

The Navy, whose main strength lay in defence, were always in defence, were always the control of the second in the match. Five minutes later, the Drury-Spinks combination struck with telling force, Spinks scoring a well-taken goal, following a characteristic dash by Drury-

well-taken goal, following a charac-teristic dash by Drury,
There followed the patten of last year's match, with Civil Service attacking vigorously, but failing to translate their superiority into goals.

Their best chance of saving the match was lost when Batchelor, travelling at high speed, put his shot travelling at high speed, put his shot over the top.

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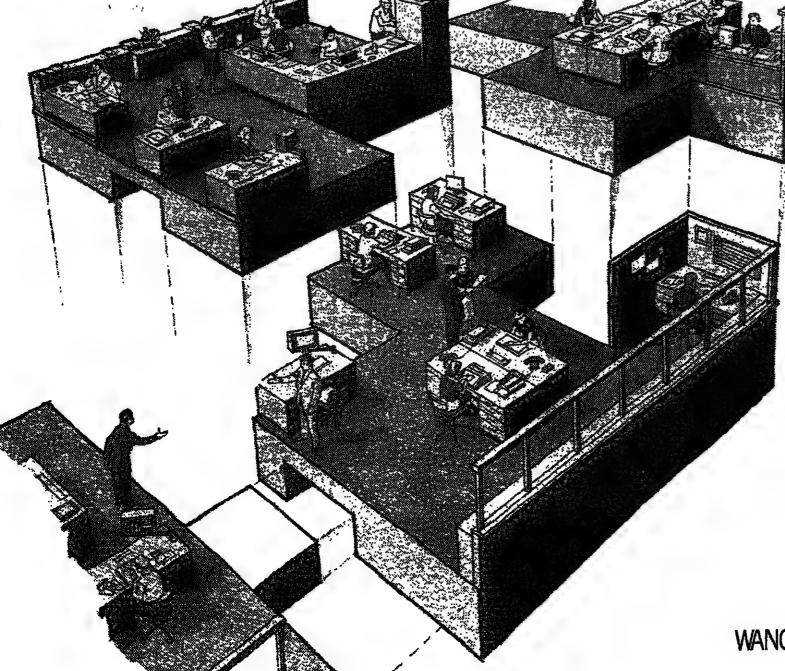
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**RACING** 

Peter Haynes, the Chichester ral's Ruler, who stayed on too trainer, is certainly striking strongly for Nick Gaselee's El while the iron is hot. His Mansour at Windsor. progressive young hurdler Dalbury is attempting to win his Grand National hope. Canford third race in 16 days when he tackles the Burnham-on-Sea Handicap Hurdle at Taunton

Last Thursday Dalbury presented Haynes with an ideal gift for his thirty-third birthday. when romping home by four lengths from Park Rainbow at Wincanton. Previously he won by the same margin, at Windsor, partnered on both occasions by the promising 71b-claimer Peter Corrigan, who again has the ride.

Corrigan, who joined Haynes from Richard Hannon four months ago, was on the mark with Deep In Debt at Folkestone yesterday for his new stable, and will help to offset Dalbury's penalty for his Wincanton success.
Party Miss, who was beaten

12 lengths by Dalbury at Windsor, will make a much closer contest of it this time on 15lb better terms and Odin. from Brian Chinn's small but in-form stable, is on a handy mark. But Dalbury looks capble of defying top weight in style,

Stan Mellor, the Lambourn trainer, has had a steady stream of winners recently - Mister Lord and Krug scored for him at the end of last week - and Nudge Nudge, who chased home Another Pal at Wolverhampton last time out, should carry on the good work in the first division of the Staple Fitzpaine Novices Hurdle. The second division of this event of her weight allowance from may go to Fulke Walwyn's only runner at the meeting. Admi-Handicap Hurdle.

David Elsworth runs his

Ginger, in the Cecil Hunt Memorial Trophy, where he faces suff opposition from Herr Capitan and Haybale. But John Edwards. the Leominster trainer, has decided to oppose with his dual course winner Drops O'Brandy, rather than go to Southwell against weaker opposition, the hint should be taken.

Hywel Davies replaces the injured Colin Brown on Les Kennard's Quazar Light in the two-mile Glastonbury Handicap Chase and this combination may prove too strong for Straight Cash and Goldenogan. There was a flood of money

for French Lieutenant, backed from 5-2 to evens, when he made his first appearance of the this month. But the seven-yearold let down his supporters with some indifferent jumping, and was already beaten when brought down at the third-last, leaving Cheadle Green to win unopposed. French Lieutenant should recoup the losses at Southwell today when he should have the beating of False Bay in the first division of the Reindeer Novices' Hunter Chase. The second leg may go to the consistent Another

The Alan Jarvis-trained Vendevar, who ran well against Haybale last week, can get back on the winning trail in the Star and Garter Handicap Chase and Kelsey Lady can make the most

#### Wayward Lad in the clear

a 50 per cent success rate with his runners, has had all his horses

Rumours that the virus which has struck at Michael Dickinson's Harewood stable had reached the Gold Cup favourite, Wayward Lad, were soundly scotched by the champion trainer yesterday.

"There is absolutely nothing wrong with him" Dickinson said. "He is sound and has passed the blood test."

Dickinson, who normally achieves a 50 per ceut success rate with his fit and well on Gold Cup day" he command has had all his horses

#### Francome nine short of 1,000 winners

his 1.000th winner in Britin following a double on Left Bank and hislan at Folkestone, yesterday. If the champion jockey escapes injury, he could beat Stan Mellor's record of 1.034 winners before the close of the season in June.
Poor jumping had marred Left

Bank's previous performances this season but Francome conjured some fine leaps out of the gelding in convincing the Cliftonville Handicap Chase. He Jugador. gave Left Bank every opportunity to get a good view of his fences and the combination jumped to the front at the last to beat Buck and Wing The stewards called in his trainer,

David Morley, to explain the horses's improved performance compared with his last run at

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John Francome is nine short of Leicester where he finished a wellis 1,000th winner in Britin beaten fifth. The stewards accepted Morley's statement that the horse had lost confidence after his initial

two races this season.
At Worcester Michael Dickin-son's stable suffered another reverse when Fearless Imp after roaking the running and jumping well suddenly went to pieces at the last to be convincingly run out of it by

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Taunton selections

1.45 Nudge Nudge, 2.15 Rhodonna, 2.45 Drops O'Brandy, 3.15 Dalbury, 3.45 Quazar Light, 4.15 Admiral's Ruler.

# Hywel Davies is a fast-closing fourth with a flair for doubles in the jockeys' championship Faceless hero with champion's look

Hywel Davies is no media man despite his

resemblance to Clint Eastwood

If I see that John's hurt himself I'm not afraid to ring

up and try to take his place." Francome, in fact, says

good humouredly that Davies spends his life on the

Davies's steely determination was certainly not

born of deprivation. While he did not arrive in this

world with a silver whip in his hand, his early days were comfortable enough. He was born the youngest of

three brothers in Cardigan, where his father was a

Father and mother had greater horizons for young

Hywel, but after he had taken his diploma in business

studies at Aberystwyth College a career in the City

proved no match for the lure of the saddle. With

encouragement from Taffy, his older brother who was apprenticed to Army age, Davies sought and was

effered a position as an amateur rider attached to

Winners came but progress was steady rather than spectacular. With Bob Champion as stable jockey and

Richard Rowe, Gerry Enright and other talented

ROMARY CARP (Are C Benton) D Ringer 9-10-4 LLOYD ARDUA (8) (A Blackhein) 8 Cambidge 11-10-0 POREST LODGE (8) (D Robinson) J Permit 9-10-0 WILTON BEACON (J Harvis) J Harris 8-10-0 NANOYER PRINCE (E Heyword) H D'haif 9-10-0 OWERSDEEP (R Faithman) Airs Sighardson 10-10-0 TRYOS LOYER (Mrs P Cosgrave) His P Cosgrave 8-10-0

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1993: Dukes Heir, 4-10-0, C Smith (3-1), W Masson, 13 ran. reenacras Joy, 11-4 Probabilist, 4 High Barn, 6 Juliabox Kate, 10 Peace Treety, 16 Singh

3.0 STAR AND GARTER HANDICAP CHASE (£1,415: 3m 110yd) (14)

WID GARTER MANDICAP CHASE (ET,A15; 3n HSGH DIVER P Carter) J Boyers 11-11-10
GREENBARK PARK (R Peritary) R Peritary 7-10-12
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MEDITORO (Shrister Lix) K Balley 8-10-0
SELFORD (Shrister Lix) K Balley 8-10-0
SANTA MOSL. (CD) (Shanthat Serficid) J Leigh 8-10-6
PEISONALITY FLUS (D Pickering) W Francis 8-10-6
MESS WOOD (R Ricklewort) R Robbinson 9-10-1
MORNING CHEER (D) (J Norton) 10-10-0
MUSTAPHA (CD) (E) (T Ramadan) M Cartecho 8-10-0
LCRO OF THE MONT (ET) (S Rice) B Rice 11-10-0
THE PENDER) (J Jones) W A Staphenson 12-10-0
CONCULATE (C Line) C Lee 8-10-0
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LO REINDEER NOVICE HUNTER CHASE (Div II: amateurs: £521: 3m

OUBLE EARNERS (R Roberts) A Roberts 9-12-0
DARCEYT (B) (W Perrin) W Perrin 18-12-0
PALSE BAY (J Heiler) J Heiler 9-12-0
FRENCH LIEUTENANT (SF) (A Stavens) N Stavens 7-12-0
GANGSTER'S CANYON (J Wywn) R Wymn 9-12-0
LSMY LAD (T Merks) T Merks 10-12-0
MARAUDER (Op Capt H Hammer) H Hammer 11-12-0
MOYUS KING (B) (Art F Grainger) Mrs P Grainger 8-12-0
THERTY MILES (Alses W Hooson) Mase W Hooson 11-12-0
HASTY RETHEAT (S Rice) B Rice 8-11-0

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100 ASBET NOCE (A.W. Jones) A. Jones 9-11-2

103 ASLITCLORAN LASS (B. McGrath) Mr.S. Developer 6-11-2

CATSPAW (Dr.C. Lown) C. Lowny 7-11-2

QC GLEY FRANCE (D. Nation) R. Woodhouse 5-11-2

104 FRANCE (D. Nation) R. Woodhouse 5-11-2

105 MADAME GRISETTE (W. Jones) P. Berra 9-11-2

105 RAGAPARI (EF) (Coll Raid) K. Baley 5-11-2

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Southwell selections

1.30 Another Simon. 2.0 Sea Splash. 2.30 Greenacres Joy. 3.0 Vendevar. 3.30 Kelsey Lady. 4.0 French Lieulenant. 4.30 Rapagain.

4.30 ELM TREE NOVICE HURDLE (£548: 2m 47) (15)

1982: Portroe Prince, 9-10-0, M Brewson (20-1), O Bressen, 13 ren. 11-4 Artimarval, 7-2 Greenbank Park, 9-2 Moor Close, 5 Menford, 8 Ven. Mominor Cheer, 18 oftens.

3.30 TOTE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,700: 2m) (19)

2.30 CROWN SELLING HURDLE (£662: 2m) (11)

farrier and also ran a small hotel.

Gifford's powerful Findon stable.

telephone.

Finding your way to Hywel Davies's country lair gives you an instant insight into the character of the man. The rambling old farmhouse that Davies, one of our leading National Hunt jockeys, is in the process of gutting and refurbishing is hidden deep away in the starkly beautiful Wiltshire countryside at the end of a seemingly endless crater-ridden track that makes the moon's surface seem like the MI.

His choice of such a private dwelling reflects the fact that, despite being a rising star in a world that is part of the entertainment industry and subject to all the attendant media hype. Davies has remained his own man and is not unhappy to be a faceless hero.

Articulate, personable and very much a pro-fessional's professional, Davies is regarded as a certain future champion by those who know best about these things. Last season he was third in the table with \$5 victories; this time, after a slow start by his principal stable, that of Captain Tim Forster, he is a fast-closing fourth and he has recently been picking off doubles (and the odd treble) with the aplomb of Eric Bristow.

#### 'Not flash enough'

And if you add to all this the not insignificant detail that he bears a more than passing resemblance to a certain Clint Eastwood (no, it is not just his attractive wife. Rachel, who says so), you might think that the 27-year-old Welshman provides all the ingredients for any media man (or should it be woman) to make a

Davies's rationalization of his lack of exposure is simple: "I suppose I'm not flash enough." Rachel, stroking Clint (her pet dog), backs this up by saying "We're quiet people and so is Captain Forester However, she then reveals that even if her other half is philosophical about his anonymity she is not a little perplexed about it. "Whenever you watch racing on TV they always say "There's John Francome" or 'That's Jonjo's mount'. Hywel never gets a mention."

Francome and O'Neil bave little cause for complacency. Apart from Davies's undoubted natural ability, he has the one quality that characterizes all champions - single-mindedness. Riding big-race winners is not nearly as important to him as becoming champion jockey, he says and, talking to the men for whom he has ridden, the same theme crops up time and again - that of the nice guy who is determined to

Forster, who trains near Davies at Wantage, has this to say about the man who has been his stable jockey for the past three seasons: "He's the ideal stable jockey. I took him on principally because he's very strong and the right jockey to handle the big, old-fashioned type of chasers that I favour. I also like him as a person. He gets on with the job and gets on with

everybody. But he does have an ambitious streak."

Roddy Armytage, one of Davies's former employers, says: "He's got that killer instinct to get to the top. He's the sort who will worry himself sick if he's getting left behind." Pursuit of his goal involves Davies in, among other things, keeping his natural body weight of 11 stones down to around 10 stones in order to be eligible for as wide a range of mounts as

It also involves him in watching endless race videos. not only to improve his technique, but to watch for promising runs by other horses whose trainers he will then approach for the ride. "it's a business," be says.

young riders on Gifford's books, Davies found that the opportunities even for a rider of his calibre were limited. So, after three seasons at Findon, he accepted the offer as first jockey to Armytage (Taffy had been forced to retire through injury). He rode 80 winners in the two seasons he was with Armytage and then, with Armytage's reluctant blessing, made the move to Forster's more powerful yard in the 1980/81 season.

Forster mentioned strength in the saddle as being one of Davies's greatest qualities. However he has been cautioned only once for excessive use of the whip: but has firm views on this topic.

"We're professionals, we have a job to do, Horses are like children - they always see how far they can go. You have to give them a slap to put them in their place. I have ridden in Norway, where you are not allowed to hit a horse unless you keep your hands on his shoulder and hive him a tap. They (the horses) laugh at you. It's not a race. I think it makes dogs (racing jargon for a horse who will not give his all) out On another, more contentious issue, that of race

fixing loyalty to colleagues makes Davies more guarded but he nevertheless, has some interesting things to say. He himself has never been approached to stop a horse and has known of only two jockeys who

He agrees with Ryan Price's view that the public see skulduggery everywhere and cites a recent example of how an innocent happening can seem crooked in their eyes. "When Drumadowney won at Chepstow after being pulled up in his previous race, *The Sponing Life* man said there should have been an inquiry,

#### National ambition

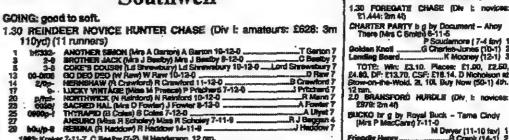
"Yes, there should have been. Even Captain Forster said 'I'm ashamed, they should have had us in'. The horse had just come over from Ireland and it took us a long time to get him right. When I restrained him in his first race at Worcester he resented it and pulled himself up. We found on the gallops afterwards that he preferred being allowed to bowl along in front and at Chepstow when he won he was given his head. The way it read in 'The Life', it made it sound as if I had stopped the horse before".

Apart from winning the jockeys' championship, Davies's greatest ambition is to win a Grand National. In this be has a powerful ally in the shape of Last Suspect, who beat last year's Aintree hero, Corbiere, at Chepstow recently.

Last Suspect belongs to Anne, Duchess of Westminster, who owned the great Arkle. The Duchess refused to risk Arkle over the Aintree obstacles but is not totally against the National. Last Suspect missed the entries for this year's race but Forster believes that the Duchess may well agree to his running in 1985. Forster and Davies see him as an ideal National type: orster should know, having won two Nationals with Well To Do and Ben Nevis.

So if you are looking for a couple of long-range bets you could do worse than take odds about Last Suspect for next year's Aintree spectacular and Hywel Davies for next season's jockeys' title. Better still, back them in a double. After all, that is what Davies seems to specialize in these days. John Karter

#### Southwell Worcester results



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[Mrs P MacCanth 7-11-0

M Dwyer (11-10 fev) 1

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TOTE Wirt E2-50, Places: £1.80, £2.50, £4.50, DP: £10.00, CSP: £19.54. J Phogenaid to Makon. £1, 15, MR: Pendieton, Stidt's Brocher, State and Seripas, Wicker Basket, Bren's Buck (14-1) 4th. 21 nm.

2.30 FOREGATE CHASE (Div II: novices: £1.42.2m 4f)

JEDDART JESTICE br g by Performed 2.0 BROMLEY ARMS HANDICAP CHASE (£1,063: 2m 74yd) (12) 

TOTE: Wirt 28.90. Places: \$3.20, £11.00, £1.20. DP. Winner or 2nd with any horse £1.70, \$F: £157.98. J Edwards at Ross-on-Wys. 11, R. Wise Words (33-1) 4th. 12 ran. 1983: Miglar Cool 9-11-9, J Prancome (100-90), J Jenkins, 13 nm. Dent's Rig, 11-4 Abbey Avenue, 4 See Spissh, 7 Carlingford Lough, 9 Foreign Lodge, 14

Pring Party R. Linley(5-1) 3
TOTE Wir: £7.50, Places: £2.10, £2.80, £2.40, Dr. £7.0,70, CSP: £87.44. T Forsier at Wantage 51, sh.hd. The Next Night (9-2 tar) 4th. 23 ran. Nr. Mester Book, Money From America. 3.30 LOWESMOOR CHASE (Limited Handicage (£2,102: 2m) Juga — Janens. (\$5. Powell 9-10-7 — A. Webb (13-8) 1 Fearless Imp. R. Earnshaw (5-4 Jay) 2 Beeff's Choice — R. Dardes (10-1) 3

TOTE: Wir: £0.10. Places: £1.80, £1.50. £1.5

TOTE Wir: \$3.30. Places: £1.60, £2.50, £2.30. OF: £30.70. CSF: £49.05. Tricast: £331.53. Dudgeon at North Lane (15-2) 4th Sterpehod (8-4 fav) 15 ren.

4.30 ASTWOOD HURDLE handicap: 21,438: 24 21 MOLLINGTON b g by Decoy Boy - Acea High (D Teylor) 5-10-3......G McCourt (5-1)

TOTE: Whr. EA.BJ. Pleces: E1.70, E13.e0. 22.70. OF: E92.70. CSF: E224.87. Tricas: E224.87. J. Webber at Banbury. 5. 32. St. David's Day (10-1) 4th, King Hustler (11-4fav) 20 ran. NR: Onginel Step, End of Era. Folkestone
1.45 SEASALTER HURDLE (DIV 1: novice
EATS: 2m 110ys)

EAV: 2011 Tugs

DEEP IN DEBT 5 m by Deep Run —
Oversette (Mrs P Jubert) 5-10-4

P Corrigen (12-1) 1

Amrufish R Rometty 4(su) 2

Claudius Cresset J Francome(7-2) 3 TOTE: Wir: 23.00. Places: 22.30, 21.10, 7.10. DP: 25.80. CSP: 225.18. P Hayes at Zinchester. 23. ½I. Telephone Numbers (20-1) th. 18 ram. NR: Majestic Cue, Cureinstury ADE. 2.15 M29 CHARE (novice selling: £868: 2m 4f) THE TOTAL by Owen Anthony - Anner Loch (O Dornelly) 7-11-3 \_\_6 Smith Eccles (4-1) Cold View \_\_\_\_\_ G Newman (20-1)

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Browndodd Lad. V McKevin (9-2) 2

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#### Final team trials to be sponsored

By Jenny MacArthur The Castle Ashby trials in Northamptonshire, which have been chosen by the British Horse Society as the final trials for the Society as the man class for the British Olympic three-day event team, are to be sponsored by Jaguar Cars Ltd. The firm, whose only previous endorsement in equestian sponsorship has been with point-topoints, are putting up 20,000 for the event, which is to be held on June 30 and July.

30 and July.

It was the success of last year's event, the first to be held at Castle Ashby, that encouraged the BHS to use the event as the final trials. Lord Northampton, the owner of the 10,000-acre estate, said yesterday that he did not dismiss the idea of Castle Ashby becoming the senting. that he did not dismiss the idea of Castle Ashby becoming the setting for a full-scale three-day event one day, but warned: "We must not run before we can walk." This year, there will be an intermediate and advanced class.

After Badminton in April, the Olympic three-day event long-list will be whittled down, to a short list of 10 names. Some riders who was

will be whittled down, to a short list of 10 names. Some riders who were not on the original long list may be included on the short list, if they give good Badminton performaces.

The 10 riders will all be expected to compete at Castle Ashby, where David Morton, the course designer and director of the trial, is building a "straight forward" course, aimed as

and director of the trial, is building a
"straight forward" course, aimed at
providing a fair test without
overlaxing the horses, coming as it
does only four weeks before the start
of the Olympic Games,
Hugh Thomas, speaking on
behalf of the selectors said that they
would hope to release the names of
the five riders rough to Los Appeles

the five riders going to Los Angeles, as soon as possible after Castle Ashby,
Lucinda Green, Richard Meade,

Virginia Holgate and Diana Ca-pham are all likely to compete at Castle Ashby. Their horses, Regal Realm, Kilcashel, Priceless and Windjammer, have been exempted from Badminton, and will auto-matically be short-listed, subject to on Saturday June 30, a ball will be held at Castle Ashby house sponsored by Piper Champagne and

Jaguar. The proceeds will go to the British Equestrian Olympic Fund.

**TENNIS** 

#### **McEnroe** walks off but still wins Sydney (Reuter) - John McEnroe

walked off court after Guillermo Vilas was awarded two penalty points to take the fourth set in the \$400,000 (£295,000) challenge-tournament here yesterday. But he returned to win his first match in the four-man round robin, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3, in three hours and a half. At deuce in the tenth game of the

set, with Vilas leading 5-4, the volatile American questioned a line call. The umpire, Max Ward, gave, McEnroe a 15-second time warning and awarded a penalty point to Vilas when McEnroe strayed over the 30-second limit. McEnroe briefly argued the

decision, then threw his second ball into the net and refused to play on. Ward awarded Vilas a second penalty point to give the Argentine. the set and level the match at two. sets all.

Earlier Ivan Lendl crushed Mats Wilander 6-0, 6-4, 6-2, in just 66

#### Loser's tantrum results in maximum fine

By Lewine Mair

Sultan Gangii, the umpire in Ollie. Rahnasto's second round match against Morten Ronneberg, in the LTA satellite event at Peterborough. came off court bearing the remains of what had been a sturdy plastic

After losing 6-0, 1-6, 7-6, 10-Rahnasio, Ronneberg, at 19 years of age the Norwegian number one, first flung his racket from the baseline into the net dislodging a singles stick in the process. Ronnebe next move was to swipe a hall into space. It was then, by way of a finale, that he crashed his racket through the chair.

Alan Mills, the tournamen

referee, did not take long to decide on the maximum line of £65 - 2 sum which bit ruther heavily into the lad's carnings for the week of £70. In the first wo weeks of the circuit. Ronneberg had come intothe seen-but-not-heard category.
Though Jeremy Baies and Stuart Bale were both in good humour as-they made their way into the third round - Bates deteated Leighton Alfred, 6-2, 6-3, and Bale won 6-4. 6-2 against Garth Haynes, of the United States - there were several-other instances of traved temper.

Bates's opponent this morning is a long lean israeli, by the name of Schacher Perkis, while Bale meets up with Peter Lundgren, the Swede's who won the first of these satellite events. Whatever happens, both Bates and Bale have done enough to-Bates and Bale have done enough to a take their place in the masters tournament, the week after next.

RESULTS: J Bates (GB) bit L Afrod (GB), 82.
6-3; S period (Fa) bit M Brumberg (Swe), 92.6-2. W Hempson (Ass) bit S Sverusion (Swe), 93.
6-1. O Rabnasto (Fin) bit M Ronneberg (Nort, 6-0.1-6, 7-8; R Barlow (Aus) bit B Levrus (SA), 24.
7-6, 8-3; S Bale (GB) bit G Heyres (US), 6-4.6-2. P Lundgren (Swe) bit G Lerck (US), 2-6, 7-6.
2-8. B Batimen (Swe) bit E Van'i Hof (US), 2-6.
6-3, 7-6.

#### YACHTING

#### Official backing for French

Paris (AP) — The French government is willing to support a French challenge for the America V Cup in Perth, Australia, in 1987. Mackine Edwige Avice, Ministry
of Youth and Sport, and Mr Gwy
Lengage, Secretary of Shore and the Sea, noted in a joint communique that France "currently occupies a leading internation position in sailing, as its industrial and sporting results show." Two challenges for the America's cup financed by Baron Blch, the ballpoint pen millionaire and another last year backed by public subscriptions, have failed But subscriptions, have failed. But French sailors have had bit.

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# 'Locally' in planning notice is intelligible and enforceable by court

Alderson v Secretary of State Before Lord Justice Waller, Lord Justice Fox and Lord Justice Robert

JJudgment delivered February 91 The word "locally" had a perfectly intelligible meaning and its presence in a planning enforcement notice did not render that notice invalid. The Court of Appeal so held, allowing an appeal by the Secretary of State for the Environ-ment from a decision by Mr Justice Webster on October 6, 1983 (The Times, October 10, 1983), who had held that the word "locally" had no ascertainable meaning in law, and had declared the notice invalid.

Mr Stephen Aitchison for the secretary of state; Mr William Kineston for the respondent

Kingston for the respondent.
LORD JUSTICE WALLER said that the notice served on the

British Airways Board v Laker

The Court of Appeal (Sir John

Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Dunn and Lord Justice

Browne-Wilkinson) made no order

on February 3 on an application by

on reoriary 3 on an application by British Airways pursuant to liberty to apply granted by the Court of Appeal in its judgment and order last July (The Times July 27, 28, 1983; [1983] 3 WLR 544). The order

Airways Ltd and Others

respondent. Dr Douglas Arthur Alderson, had sought to enforce and planning condition that his house should be occupied by "a person employed or last employed locally in agriculture... or in forestry". That wording was based on a recommended form set out in Department of Environment Circular 5/1968 and amended (substitute.

lar 5/1968 and amended (substituting the words "in the locality" for "locally") in Circular 24/1973. It was a standard condition used thousands of times all over the

A similar condition, but exclud-A similar condition, but excluding the word "locally", had been held to be valid on the test applied by the House of Lords in Fawcett Properties Ltd v Buckingham County Council ([1961] AC 637]: see Lord Denning at p 678 and Lord Jenkins at pp 693 and 694. In fact, Lord Denning had even suggested, at p 680, that the words "in the

applying the test in Fawcett, the word "locally" in the present notice had a perfectly intelligible meaning. Though a few doubtful cases might arise, it would always be possible for the courts to determine whether the condition had been broken.

There were many words, used in statutes, the meaning of which was ultimately a question of fact for a tribunal. Lord Jenkins had made that clear in the passesses and that clear in the passages cited His Lordship concluded that the condition and the notice were valid and that the appeal should therefore

e allowed. Lord Justice Fox and Lord Justice Robert Goff delivered concurring

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor; Hextall Erskine & Co for Challinors & Dickson, Stoke on Trent. British Airways' application

> against Lakers fails appeal to the House of Lords, leave for which was granted by the House on November 10, the hearing being fixed to commence on June 5, 1984. Pending the hearing of the appeal Lakers were restrained from causing or permitting the further prosecution of the action against British Airways or believe any care in the

> > Lakers had caused a subpoena to be issued directed to Mr John Meredith, general manager of British Airways for the Americas to take his deposition in the action.

Airways or taking any steps in that

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his deposition against British Airways for any purpose even if British Airways remained a party to the United States action after Lakers' appeal to the House of The MASTER OF THE ROLLS

said that the short answer to the application was that it either varied the Court of Appeal's order or it did not. If it did not, it was unnecessary. If it did vary the order, it was outside the court's adjudication and the court was functus officio.

# Validity of Employment immediately before transfer

prejudice' Society v Tony Waller Ltd Before Mr Justice Harman [Judgment delivered February 7]

The rubric "without prejudice" was not properly attached to a notice from a lessor to his lessee calling for a rent review. Although no special form of words was necessary to constitute a valid trigger notice, a notice that was equivocal was ineffective.

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Mr Justice Harman so held in the Chancery Division in answer to a question raised by an originating summons issued by the lessor as to whether or not he had given a valid notice in writing calling for a rent

Mr Derek Wood, QC and Mr Paul Morgan for the lessor; Mr Robert Pryor, QC and Mr Edward

construction of a rather inept letter of August 4, 1982 to the lessee from a characted surveyor acting for the lesser headed "without prejudice". It was first necessary to decide whether the letter was admissible in evidence or whether it was

His Lordship adopted the ruling of Mr Justice Vaughan Williams in In re Daintrey ([1893] QB 116, 119) that the rule which excluded documents marked "without prejudice" had no application unless tome present a dispute or some person was in dispute or negotiation with another.

The letter of August 4 had not been written in the course of negotiations; it was written at a time when no view was emanating from the lessee, entirely as an opening shot where no war had been declared or dispute arisen. It was therefore not governed by the rubric "without prejudice" and was not privilend. privileged

His Lordship then considered whether the letter was a valid trigger notice. It was common ground that no special form of words was necessary to constitute such a notice. But this notice was

Heinit ((1983) 268 EG 362) it was unclear whether it was the beginning of the rent review machinery or merely a preliminary step before the rent review machinery was put in motion. As it was equivocal it was ineffective as a rigger notice. ineffective as a trigger notice. Solicitors: Mr D. M. Hopkins, Norwich; Brignall White & Or-

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was that Lakers should use their best endeavour to procure that British Airways should cease to be parties to Lakers' action against them and other airlines in the Consideration should be given by the parties to applying to the House of Lords for the hearing of the Lakers had undertaken not to offer Mr Meredith's testimony or The order was stayed pending an

> Aloha Fields Ltd v Barratt Whether or not a person was employed "immediately before" the transfer of a business within the meaning of regulation 5(3) of the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations tion of Employment) Regulations (SI 1981 No 1794) was a question of

fact dependent upon the circumstances of each case, Mr Justice Tudor Evans, said in the Employment Appeal Tribunal.

His Lordship, sitting with Mr E. Alderton and Mr J. Powell on February 9, said that the effect of the trentlations are to recorde that a the regulations was to provide that a transfer of an undertaking from one person to another did not operate so as to terminate the contract of employment of any person em-

For such a contract to be preserved the person had to be employed by the transferor "immediately before the transfer". The words used in regulation 5(3) were not "at the time of" the transfer. Some moment in time before the transfer was clearly contemplated as being the appropriate time to be taken. Parliament did not intend a fixed moment in time to be taken.

It was impossible to say what period did and what period did not qualify. It depended on the circumstances of each particular case whether the dismissal was sufficiently proximate to the transfer. A gap of two days as in the present case was not too long to

#### Striking insurance broker off register

The Disciplinary Committee of the Insurance Brokers Registration Council was not under a duty of its own motion to offer an adjourn-

which had rendered him unfit to arguments. have his name on the register.

HIS LORDSHIP said that this

Council was not under a duty of its own motion to offer an adjournment to a person accused of a disciplinary offence, in order for him to produce a document which would assist his defence, where he had already been given a generous opportunity to put his house in order but had not done so.

Mr Justice Mann so stated in the Queen's Bench Division on February 7, dismissing an appeal by Mr Hubert Stanley James, brought under section 18(1) of the Insurance Brokers (Registration) Act 1977, against a decision of the disciplinary committee to direct his name to be erased from the register of insurance brokers under section 15(2) of that Act for contravention of rules made

held on January 30, allowing an appeal by case stated on behalf of

Varying periodical payments order

#### Moore v Ball

The words "on complaint" in section 60 of the Magistrates Courts Act 1980 which provides: "Where 2 As in Shirlear Properties Ltd v magistrates' court has made an Heinit ((1983) 268 EG 362) it was order for the periodical payment of

The Divisional Court of the mother.

Family Division (Sir John Arnold, President and Mr Justice Hollis) so Mr Justice Hollis agreed, said that it

appeal by case stated on behalf of the Secretary of State for the Social Services, from the refusal of Maryport Justices to hear an application for an increase of an order made under the Affiliation Proceedings Act 1957. By virtue of section 19(5) of the Supplementary Benefits Act 1976 the order had been varied requiring £2-a-week maintenance payments to be made to the secretary of state had not been given specifically the power to apply to the court to take advantage of section 60 of the 1980 Act.

The justices had construed "on complaint" narrowly and had felt unable to extend the definition to encompass anyone other than a party to the original order.

In construing "on complaint" in the section, logic should dictate that any person who had the right to receive periodical payments for his own benefit could apply for a

#### Court of Justice of the European Communities

#### Reducing cost of state drugs bill

Duphar et al v Netherlands Case 238/82

Before: Judge J. Mertens de Wilmars, President, and Judges T. Koopmans, K. Bahimann, Y. Galmot, P. Pescatore, Lord Mackenzie Stuart, A. O'Keeffe, G. Bosco, O. Due, U. Everling and C. Kakouris.

Advocate General: F. Mancini. [Judgment delivered: February 7]

In order to reduce the financial burden on the sickness insurance fund of ocaring the cost of pharmaceuticals the Dutch Minister of Health adopted in 1982 a decree of Health adopted in 1982 a decree providing that persons subject to the compulsory health care insurance scheme in The Netherlands no longer had the right to medicaments and other products set out in the annexes to the decree. Supply of some of those medicaments was prohibited because there were cheaper medicaments having the same therapeutic effect: for others the cost of supply would no longer be reimbursed by the sickness insurance fund because they could be bought other than through a

The cost of other specified influe medicaments would only be ation.

reimbursed if the sickness insurance fund so authorized. Authorization would be given only if it could reasonably be accepted that failure to supply the medicament would compromise to an intolerable degree

Twenty-three pharmaceutical companies brought proceedings before the Dutch courts for an order. suspending the implementation of the decree on the ground that it was the decree of the ground that it was contrary to Community law. The Durch court referred the matter for a preliminary ruling under article 177 of the Treaty. In its judgment the Court of Justice of the European Communi-

tics held as follows:
The legislation in question ensured that an important percentensured that an important percentage of the population was reimbursed the price of medicaments which could be prescribed by an approved doctor. Community law did not limit the power of the member states to organize their social security systems and adopt measures intended to regulate the consumption of pharmaceutical products in the interests of balancing the budgets of their health.

balancing the budgets of their health In regard to a scheme based on the reimbursement of the cost of prescribed medicines, it was not, in principle, contrary to Community law to draw up lists of products excluded from the system of reimbursement in order to limit

A feature of trade in pharmaceutical products was that social security institutions were substituted for the consumer in bearing the burden of medical expenses. Hence legislation of the type in question could not be of the type in question could not be considered per sea restriction on the freedom to import guaranteed by article 30 as long as certain conditions were fulfilled.

Compatibility with the Treaty of legislation of this kind implied that there was no discrimination against imported meeting means in the

imported medicaments in the choice of the medicaments to be excluded. Lists of excluded medicaments had to be drawn up on objective criteria which did not depend on the origin of the products and could be checked by every importer.

importer.

If those conditions were fulfilled, an importer could have access to the Dutch market as long as he could sell a product with equivalent therapeutic value whose price was more advantageous than that of other products available on the market

market.

costs.

Even if such measures did not covered measures which were not have a direct effect on imports of medicaments, they might still have an effect on the marketing of such products and could indirectly influence the possibility of importation.

Community law, it should be recalled that article 36 of the Treaty rescription or were products excluded from reimbursement for measures which were not excluded from membursement in matter and could not pharmaco-therapeutic reasons justified for the protection of public was primarily budgetary in that it was primarily budgetar

Article 34 of the Treaty did not prohibit legislation of the type in question because it applied only to measures whose specific object or effect was to restrict patterns of export and thereby to establish a difference in treatment between the domestic and treatment between the domestic and export trade of a member state which gave a particular advantage to national production or to the domestic market of the state in question.

The decree in question did not

The decree in question did not prevent access to the market within prevent access to the market within the meaning of Directives 65/65 and 75/319. Articles 85 and 86 of the Treaty applied to undertakings and therefore were irrelevant for the purpose of assessing the compatibility with Community law of legislation of the type in question.

For those reasons, the court ruled that provisions adopted under a national scheme for obligatory health care insurance, whose object was to deprive insured persons of the right to be supplied, at the expense of the insurance organization, with medicaments in

market.

Such legislation would leave into the product complying with this requirement, which related not to the nature of the product but exclusively to its price.

In the event that the national court were to conclude that the legislation in question did not fulfil the conditions for compliance with Community law, it should be recalled that article 36 of the Treaty if the article 30 of the Treaty is the article 30 of the Treaty if the article 30 of the Treaty is the artic Contact Secah Barker Ingaway Staff Consulter 429 9563

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Before Mr Justice Scott [Judgment delivered February 9] A once-only payment of £6,000 by an employer to an employee to vary the terms of a service agreement by taking away his right to receive commission, was an emolument from the employment and taxable under Schodule E. Mr Justice Scott so held in the Chancery Division allowing an appeal by the Crown from the King's Lynn General Commissioners.

The commissioners had deter-mined that sums of £6,000 paid to each of the taxpayers, Mr Derek Randall and Mr Christopher Gillett, were not chargeable to income tax under the provisions of sections 181 and 183 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970.

Mr Robert Carawath for the Crown; Mr Randall did not appear and was not represented; Mr Gillett

MR JUSTICE SCOTT said that MR JUSTICE SCUTT SEND MAIN
the taxpayers were directors of a
group of companies and had service
agreements entitling them to receive
salaries and profit commissions.
In 1979 the group became wholly
owned by a Swedish company that
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and a policy of remunerating executives by payment of salary only. Thus the texpayers agreed to accept £6,000 each for the variation of their service agreements. Additionally they both received substantial increases in salary.

The question was whether those

two payments were taxable as emoluments within the provisions of sections 181 and 183 of the 1970 Act. Following the decisions in Prendergast v Cameron ((1940) 23 TC 122) and Henley v Murray ([1950] I All ER 908), if an employee accepted a lump sum in licu of a right to receive com-mission, that sum was taxable.

The £6,000 might have been trivial in amount in comparison with the commission that might

have been carned, but the com-missioners were not justified in law in their conclusion that the sums were not chargeable to Schedule E tax. The appeals were allowed. Solicitor: Solicitor of Inland

#### Taxpayer's duty to attend oral hearing

Banin v Mackinlay (Inspector of Taxes)

Hearings of appeals by special or general commissioners of income tax were normally conducted orally and commissioners were not obliged to accept written accounts of a taxpayer's case, Mr Justice Harman said in the Chancery Division on

His Lordship dismissed an appeal from a decision of the special commissioners, arrived at in the one for the lessee.

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HIS LORDSHIP said that section FIS LORDSHIP and that section 50(5) of the Taxes Management Act 1970 empowered lawyers to plead before commissioners either orally or in writing on behalf of any party to the appeal. But that provision did not extend to hitigants in person.

If a taxpayer wished to comfact his own case he could not merely produce his argument in a written form: he had to attend for an oral hearing, producing documents, if required, to supplement his case.

Commissioners had a discretion to admit written submissions in certain circumstances, but it could not be said that they cired in refusing the taxpayer's written "pleadings and affidavit" in this

had been demonstrated that the secretary of state had not been given specifically the power to apply to the court to take advantage of section 60 of the 1980 Act.

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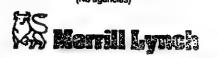
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# Jobs are shifting to suburbia

Some things in life are so taken for granted that they become the subject of popular jokes and thus enter ever more deeply into our conciousness. Mothers-in-law, large ladies, foremen and shop stewards, and commuting in the rush hour all have characteristics which appear to withstand both the test of time and our own observation. In a very real sense, it is unthinkable that these things will change, let alone disappear; they are part of our heritage - yet at least the last three of those mentioned will do precisely

Commuting to work in the towns and cities is a twentieth-century and cities is a twentieth-century phenonemon even though the cities are considerably older. The industrial revolution in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries drew people off the land into the new industries of the new Britain, but these people lived within walking, hearing and smelling distance of work. Most workers could not afford to travel by any form of public transport until the horse-drawn trams arrived in the late nineteenth century, although the railways remainly managerial and professional people from the city centre. Towns and cities grew organically, in that the industries and the living accommodation went together with the shops, transport and other distributive trades and the infrastructure that grew up alongside the industry and commerce.

#### City jobs are at risk

Today's patterns are very different, but then so are our living and working patterns. Cities and towns are becoming depopulated, and the talk is of urban blight or inner city dereliction; cities are no longer the places to bring up children or to live out one's lives. They are to be worked in, and then escaped from, into either the sculptured village or the quasicountrified suburb at the end of each working day. How long can this state of affairs continue? It is not an idle

There are two mutually reinforcing reasons why this urban decline cannot continue indefinitely. Any large urban area reaches a point when the population declines to such an extent that the city is no longer self-supporting. We can see this at work in the inner city areas of London, Liverpool and Manchester as the schools, transport, roads, and other amenities all decay, with fewer people paying the rates and fewer people demanding the services and thus increasing the unit costs. The second reason is perhaps more fundamental. Towns and cities, at least the larger ones, are no longer the places to work. underpinning the second industrial revolution, puts many city jobs at risk as well as opening up vistas of a radical change in the ways and the places in which we shall work.

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The fewer people using the town or city as a workplace, the less viable it becomes. It is a sobering thought that the age of the suburbs may be approaching as the twentieth century casts our modern cities into the dustbin of history, as did the nineteenth to many of our important market towns. Indeed the history is all that many of them have left, yet some, especially those in the Home Counties, are making a comeback.

Many large towns, especially London, have a very high percentage of clerical, administrative and other service workers; indeed London, with almost 3.5 million workers, has more than 2.6 million of these in the service industries, and this does not include the clerical staffs in the manufacturing and production industries. Many of the jobs will be at risk as a combination of cabling, ever-cheaper computing, word-processing and the all-electronic telecommunication system conspire to provide electronic information and communication systems; in short it is what IT82 was all about. Approximately one million jobs are at risk, those of one third of all communication workers. Of those people who commute into central London, clerical, managerial and office workers of all descriptions make up the vast majority; manual workers still have a greater tendency to live near to their place of work.

More than one million people enter the centre every day. This, however, is only the tip of an iceberg, as many people travel within London without coming to the centre. In fact about 25 million journeys a day originate in the London area, and more than a million of these are by public transport. If a million or so jobs disappear from the central area, it is highly unlikely that the public transport system will be able to survive without massive subsidies, and in turn this may make the centre a less attractive place to work. Working from home then

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Quite clearly, this trend puts a strain on the resources of the towns. Fewer workers require less transport, and thus worse conditions arise for those shopping or using entertain-ment facilities, even before the loss of the workers' custom. As facilities decline, so does the tourist trade, and the entire cycle is reinforced. People who can afford to move away do so whilst the middle classes take advantage of the buyers' market. Depopulation proceeds apace, with single or smaller families replacing multiple occupations. The population becomes polarized between the professionals and the unskilled or unemployed. Once a city falls below its critical daytime population it has

amend itself radically. Suburbs and the smaller towns show a quite opposite trend to this. Where once people merely slept, children went to school and housewives shopped (most now work) the suburbs will be forced to become fully fledged communities. More people will be working there, from home, from office, shops, or from small satellite branches of large companies. Men and women will both be involved in this move. The unemployed add an extra dimension to this shift, with the result that the daytime population of suburbia will be far greater than at present and a far more representative cross-section of the population. This new suburbanite will start to demand facilities that were previously only found in the large

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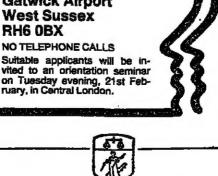
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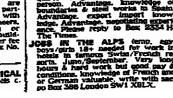
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And sub-titled news. 1.00 Olympic Grandstand: David Coleman introduces the Men's and Women's Downhill, Ice Hockey; and there is news of the Men's 1,500m Speedskating and the 4x10km Cross-Country Relay, 1.45

King Rollo; 1.50 Bric-a-Brac. 2.00 The Attamoon Show: Today's topics are obsessive gambling (with studio discussion) and hose people, mainly women, who devote their lives to canng for elderly relatives. And Christine Keeler is terviewed. 2.40 Dynasty: Lindsay (Katy Kurtzman) makes a distressing discovery (r); 3.25 Arthur Negus Enjoys: A 19th Century breakfast in the state dining-room at

Goodwood. 2.50 Magic Roundabout: Eric Thompson tell the story (r): 3.55 Play School: It's Thursday, 4.20 The Adventures of Tin Tin: Cartoon; 4.25 Jackanory: Bernard Holley reads from Joan Eadington's Jonny Briggs and the Jubilee Concert: 4.35 Fonz and the Happy Days Gang (r); 5.00 John Craven's Newsround; 5.10 Plue Peter; 5.35 The

5.40 Sixty Minutes. The line-up is:-News (5.40), weather (5.45), regional magazines (5.55) and closing headlines (6.38). 6.40 Olympic Grandstand. The

Ladies Figure Skating Championship. And Skiling: the Men's and Women's Downhill. 7.30 Top of the Pops: with Simon Bates and Peter Powell.

3.05 The Living Planet: Fifth film in David Attenborough's series (of 12). In Seas of Grass, Mr Attenberough goes on a tour of the world's grasslands, from South America to North America, Eurasia to Africa. We discover why people are an mtegral part of the grassland 9.00 News: with Sue Lawley. And weather.

9.25 Diane: Episode 6 (of 10) of Andrew Davies's TV version of the R. F. Deiderfield novel. Jan, serving in France, is supervising evacuations when he finds Diana trying to get a roup of children over to rigiand. With Kevin McNatty

10.20 Olympic Grandstand: David Figure Skating Championship: The Free Programme. 11.00 Question Time: Sir Robin

Day's guests tonight are Kenneth Baker MP, the Minister for Industry and Information Technology: Len Murray, ceneral secretary of the TUC: David Penhaligon, Liberal MP for Truro; and director of the Link organization that helps school leavers to find jobs. 12.00 News headlines. And weather

8.25 Good Morning Britain with Diamond, Today's Thursday specials include Jan specials include Jeremy Beadle's Today's the Day (7.05, 8.05). Films (8.35) and Michael Barry's cookery hem (9.05). Regular Itams include news at 5.30, then half-hourly until 9.00 sport (6.35, 7.35), Mad Lizzie (6.50 and 9.15) and John Stapleton's Spotlight (7.20. Today's special quest:

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#### ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines 9.30 For Schools: Baked Beans; 9.42 Starting Science; 9.59 1. 2. 3. Gol 10.11 Looking after the Young: 10.28 Has Parliament the final word? 10.50 Body's structure and functions: 11.08 Basil Brush; Tunctions: 11.08 Basil Brui 11.22 My Dad's a Docker. 11.39 German Program 12.00 Emma and Grandpa: for the todolers (repeated at 4.00);

12.10 Get up and Gol with Beryl Reid (r) 12.30 The Sultivans: Australiam drama

1.00 News at One; 1.20 Thames area news; 1.30 A Plus: long Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields char interviewed by Mavis 2.00 Crown Court: The verdict on

the case of a woman (Brenda murdering her husband. After evidence given by her daughter, the case takes an lous turn; 2,30 The Agetha Christia Hour: Magnolla Blossom, Ciaran Madden plays the wife whose loyalty to her husband (Jermy Clyde) is severely tested when she meets another man (Raiph Betes) (r); 3.30 Sons and Daughters: Australian drama

4.00 Children's ITV: Emma and Grandpe (r); 4.15 Batilinic cartoon; 4.20 Madebout: Dog training hints from Barbara Kally watches sheepdog handlers at work in the Lake District; 4.15 Dawn and the Big Cats. Story of a girl whose father owns a zoo (r); 5.15 The

Young Doctors. 5.45 News from ITN; 6.00 Thames news; 6.30 Themes Sport. Why Britain has had such a poor record of Wimbledon champions. And a feetime about Brighton F.C.

7.00 Knight Rider: The difficult daughter of a famous explorer is a target for murder. 8.90 Hotel: An ageing model must choose between her career

and a new life with a past love 9.00 The Steam Video Company: Horror spool in which a kidnapped ventriloquist's dummy bargains to be ransomed, using His Master's Voice over the telephone.

9.30 TV Eye: An inquiry into the anger of French farmers (hijacking British meet lomes, for example). 10.00 News. Followed by Thames

news headlines. 10.30 Film: The Strange Possession of Mrs Oliver (1977) Made-tortelevision fantasy thriller about a bored housewife (Karen and life-style and becomes, surprisingly, someone who 10.10 Rowan and Martin's Laugh-in has been dead for five years. Director: Gordon Hessier.

Postnetal Depression: Who Carea? Case histories, and interviews focusing on the iliness which, in 1982, affected 107,800 women in the United Kingdom, approximately 15 per cent of them being newlydelivered mothers. I visitors, doctors and midwives - and mothers - are among those interviewed; 12.20 Night Thoughts: with Dr Una Kroll.

 Now well into its 12-week run, David Attenborough's THE LIVING PLANET (BBC 1, 8.05) continues to prove with every new installment -tonight's is the fifth - that it is not letting down its Illustrious predecessor. Life an Earth. Their principal common denominator is, of course, Mr Attenborough himself, who is heard more then seen in

who is heard more than seen in tonight's film, Seas of Grass, although his imprint is everywhere. And there is the same exhibitating itemation of nature in long shot (wildebeest on the run etc) and nature in close-up (the 20-inch tongue of a predator picking off uicy termites from their tunnel walls). When Mr Attenborough does come into view tonight he lemonstrates that same casual disregard for danger that must put him beyond the insurance pale. He

BBC 2

5.05 Open University (Until 8.10); 9.00 Pages from Ceefax.

9.15 Daytime on Two (unit 3.00).

The line-up is:-9.15 Encounter: Spain; 9.33 Descubra Espeña; 9.52 The Magic Brush; 18.12 Science Workshop; 18.34 May

all Your Troubles be little

Ones; 11.05 Tundra; 11.30

Drink and be Merry, 11.55 Better Bedminton (mixed doubles); 12.20 Newsreel and

TV in the 1950s; 12.45 Write

1.10 A Good Job with Prospects

Pages from Ceelay 5.10 Open University: All about

5.35 News summary: with sub-

5.40 The Adventure Gemet

(hotel work); 1.38 Around

film); 2.00 You and Me; 2.15

Music Time (Contrasts); 2.40

Another contest between the

planet Arg and the Earthlings

With guests Sendra Dickinson. Chris Serie and Adam Tandy.

angling in Japan and an item on big game fishing. The highlight heat 5 of the match

ngling from Manor House isherles, Newark-on-Trent.

made romantic comedy about

between an American diplomat

(Cary Grant) and a famous actress (Ingrid Bergman). Co-starring Phyllis Calvert, Cecil Parker and David Kossoff.

Director: Stanley Donen.

pardon quash a conviction? The question is explored in

tonight's item about Barry

Bracket and Dr Evadne Hinge

comedy half-hours. Tonight

they visit a department store. As a result, Dame Hilde takes up golf and Dr Hinge learns to

nostalgic tribute to the short-lived music which, in the words

of Bernard Falk who takes part

in tonight's film. "everybody

a guitar, a washboard and a kazoo." We see the re-

forming, for this programme

only, of a skiffle group called

Tom Snow and the Blizzards

featured Mr Falk and Flichard

Fast-moving comedy skets with Dan Rowan and Dick Martin. Tonight's special

11.25 Pages from Ceefax.

12.25am.

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11.30 Open University: database (local authorities) and, at 11.15, Psychological Differences (1). Ends at

guest; the film star Tony Curtis

could play. All you need

return in a new series of

8.30 Out of Court: Does a Royal

9.00 Dear Ladies: Dame Hilda

cirive a car.

9.30 Forty Minutes: Skiffle. A

6.20 Hooked! includes a film about

6.50 Film: Indiscreet (1958) British-

a precarious relations

Plastic sporting materials; 3.00

CHOICE:

CHANNEL 4

word came reaches the final.

presides, as usual. John Junkin heads the challenge, against yesterday's winners. The prize: a journey on the

Orient Express to Vanice and

of this 20-part drams serial

about a teenager's search for his real parents. Tonight he

(Benedict Taylor) and his guardian (Paul Rogers) go to France and call on the woman

who played in the same

With Natasha Parry (r).

Galbraith, author of The

6.30 Today's History: Hustration of Power. Roger Opie interviews Professor J K

Affluent Society, The conversation ranges from the

Ancient Greeks to Prof.

7.00 Channel Four News, Includes

7.50 Comment: A fruit farmer.

8.00 Treasure Hunt: Following up

the cluss unravelled in the

Brinnand (police sergeant and

helicopter-borne Anneka Rice

Northern Ireland, Much useful

guidance comes from Kenneth Kendalf and Annetts Lynton

drops out of the sides over

keeps an eye on the clock.

police; Tim goes to live in a cave; and Corinne goes into

9.00 Scape Dutch surrenders to the

9.30 The Boy in the Bush: Episode

two of Hugh Witemore's TV adaptation of the D H

about a young Eriglishman

unnocular with Red Face

is much taken with the

10.38 Love, Sidney: Comedy series about a middle-aged bachelor

11.00 Wish You Were Here ...?

(Tony Randall) who befriends

a young woman and becomes the "father" of her six-year-of

Chris Kelly visits the Belgian Ardennes; Judith Chaimers

schoolchildren on an activity

defence course for women.

the team join a group of

holiday in Devon. Stand You Ground: Self-

isita Saathach, in Austria; and

Thornton).

dauchter.

12.00 Closedows

OMAR SHARIF CAMPBELL MOFFATT

THE SLEEPING PRINCE

(Kenneth Branagh) sent off to Australia to live with his

(Staphen Bisley) who, like him,

studio by John and Julie

senior secretary), the

Gaforaith's monetarist rival,

an analysis of the Treasury's

spending plans for the next

three years, revealed today.

Teresa Wickham, is given a platform for her views.

Professor Milton Friedman

Punch editor Alan Coren

5.00 Television Scrabble. The

strolis alongside a questing anteate: whose giant claws can rip open the belly of a puma or a jaguar. His own personal form of insurance must be personal form of insurance must be the knowlege that the animal suffers from poor eyesight and limited hearing. Much of what we see in Seas of Grass is, of course what we get in the best wildlife films: the eternal cycle of kill or be killed, the mating ritual (one of the funniest of tonight's examples is the spring dance of the prairie chicken on what dance of the prairie chicken on what is literally his stamping ground) and the miracle of birth (baby ostriches piping to each other while still inside the shell). But there are sequences in *The Living Planet* that seem unique to it, such as the activity around the subterranean heap that

serves both as a rubbish dump for worker ants and their cametery.

 Radio highlights: The repeat transmission of Seneca's traced transmission of Seneca's tragedy THYESTES (Radio 3, 7.45pm) gives us another chance to admire the way that the translator (Jane Elder), director (Martin Jankins), music illiustrator (Christos Pitta) and actors (Denis Quilley, Richard Pasco and Anton Lesser) have breathed new and exciting life into a work that has long, and undeservedly, languished in the shadows. . . KALEIDOSCOPE (Radio 4, 9.30pm) has a longish interview with David Hockney to mark the transfer from the Hayward Gallery to Bradford of his exhibition of "joiner" photographs. Hockney is deep in one of his periodic phases of art reassessment and is, there lore, sparing in his use of the cliche.



Radio 4 8.00 News Briefing, Weather, 8.10 Farming Today, 6.25 Shipping Forecast
6.30 Today, Including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30
News Summery 6.45 Prayer for
the Day 8.55, 7.55 Weather 7.00,
8.00 Today's News 7.25, 8.25
Sport 7.45 Thought for the Day
8.25 Yesterday in Parliament 8.57

 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament 8.57 Weather, Travel.

 8.00 News.
 9.05 Checkpoint. A weekly investigation into listeners' problems of unfair destings and unjustice. The investigator's Roger Cook.
 10.00 News; in Business.

 10.30 Meming Story: "To Find a Willow' by Stan Bradshaw. Read by Alan Rothwell. five days' stay at a luxury 5.30 Chips Comic. A show for the youngsters, first seen lest year when the comic magazine to which it was tied, was still in circulation. Royar discovers how chocolate is made. With Andrew Secombe, Elsa O'Toole and Gordon Griffin (r).

by Stan Bradenaw, Head by Ala Rothwell.

10.45 Dally Service.

11.00 News: Travel: Analysis: Post-Recession (2) After the Storm. With Mary Goldring.

11.48 Enquire Within.

12.00 News: You and Yours.

12.27 The Grumbleweeds112.55 Weather: Programme News.

1.50 The World at One News.

1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping 6.00 Barriers: The seventh episode

1.40 The Archers 1.55 Shipping 2.80 News; Woman's Hour. Today's edition includes a feature in which Roz Morris finds out something about the problems, and rewards, experienced by women who marry men who are much older then they are. Also, the fourth instalment of Mrs Pooter's Diary, and by the Doors's Diary,

read by Judi Dench. read by Judi Dench.
Aftermoon Theatre: Love Me Do.
by Lesley Davies. It is the story
of an imaginative and sensitive
senaged girl who, when she
goes to boarding school in the
1960s, experiences for the first
time the pelits of love and the
brutality of death. The girl
(Suzanna Hamilton) has one real
confidente—her hero, Albert

4.00 News; Just After Four. Roy Fisher, poet and planist, on antibiotics. 4.10 Booksheff, Radio 4's book, With

Hunter Device.
4.46 Story Time: 'Atlantic City Proof'
by Christopher Cook Gilmore (9).
Read by the author. 5.00 News Magazing 5.50 Shipping

BBC1 Wales 12.57-1.00pm News of Wales. 3.45-3.50 News of Wales. 5.55 (Part of Stoty Minutes) Wales Today. 12.00 midnight News headlines. Scotland 12.55-1.00pm headines. Scottand 12,55-1,00pm Scottish News. 5.55 (Part of Sixty Minutes) Scottand: Skrty Minutes. 12.00 midnight News headlines. Scottish summary. Northern Ireland news. 3,48-3,50 Northern Ireland news. 3,48-3,50 Northern Ireland news. 5,55 (Part of Sixty Minutes) Scene Around Six. 12,00 midnight News headlines. Northern trained news headlines. Northern trakend news headlines, England 5.55pm (Part of Sbtty Minutes). 12.05am Close.

S4C Starts: 2.00 pm Hwnt Ac Yma-2.20 Fleiabalam, 2.35 Beth, Sut, Para, Pryd a Bie? 2.50 Interval 3.00 Make it Count, 3.25 Flashback, 3.55 Country Crisis? 4.20 Telovision Scrabble, 4.50 Guto ch a Maiwen, 5.00 YGwylt, 5.30 Wayne and Shuster, 6.60 Brookside, 6.30 Here's Lucy, 7.00 Newyddon Satth, 7.30 Ar Adain Chwim, 8.80 Coleg, 8.30 Heart of the Dragon, 9.30 Donlau Diffau, 10.15 Film: Fitzgarraido, 1.05 am Closedown.

TVS As London except: 12.30pm-1 Crown Court 1.20 News 1.30 Attention Cub 1.35 Food, Wine and Friends 2.10 Miracles Take Longer 2.46 Strange But True 3.10 Newsbreek 3.20 Sons and Daughters 3.50-4.00 A - Z 5.15-5.46 Three Little Words 6.35 Crossroade 7.00 Emmerdals Farm 7.30-8.90 Cerry on Laughing 19.30 Seckchat 11.90 Showcase 11.15 Postmetal Depression - Who Cares? 11.45 Profile in Rock 12.15pm Company, Closedown emade 7.00 Emm

David Attenborough: The Living Planet (BBC 1, 8.05pm) Forecast 5.55 Weather; Programme, 6.09 The Six O'Clock News; Financial

8-30 Legal, Decent, Honest and Truthful. Comedy series about life in an advertiging agency, With Martin Jarvis and Christopher Godwin 1 7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Concert Prejude. Fritz Spiegi

looks aheed to tonight's concert which starts at 7.30 rchestra. A concert, conducted by Sargiu Comissiona, and recorded in the Jones Hall, Houston, Texas. Part Jones Hall, Houston, 1 exzs. Part one. The Tocusta and Fugue in D minor (Bach, stranged Stokowski), and Strauss's Death and Transfigeration. 8.05 Any Answers? David Jacobs with viewers' comments on points raised in the last edition of Any

Questions?

8.25 Houston Symphony Orchestra.
Concert; part two.
Rachmaninov's Symphony No 2.

9.30 Kaleidoscope: Tonight's edition of the arts megazine includes comment on the film Strange Inventors and on Soco Wilson's

comment on the film Strange
Invaders, and on Snoc Wilson's
book Speaseche. David Hockney
is interviewed by Colin Fond.

18.15 A Book at Bedtime: The Lost
Domain' by Alein-Fournier, The
reader is Michael Williams.

19.30 The World Tonight, including
11.00 Financial World Tonight.

11.30 Today in Parliament.

12.10 Weather.

12.15 Close Shipping Forecast.

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ENGLAND. VHF
as above except: 8.25-6.30
Weather: Travel, 9.5-12.00 For
Schools: 9.05 A Service for
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11-14. 9.55 Movement and
Drama 1 10.15 History: Long Ago
10.35 in Your Own Time 10.55
Something to Think About 11.5 in
the News 11.30 Wavelength 1.552.00 Listening Corner. 2.00-3.00
For Schools: 2.00 Living
Language 2.20 Radio Geography
2.46 Quest 5.50-5.55 PM
(continued) 11.00 Study on 4:
Aliez Francel 11.30-12.00 Open
University: 11.30 Personality and Asia Prance 11.36 Factor University: 11.36 Personality and Learning 11.59 State and Society 12.30-1.19 Schools Night-Time Broadcasting: 12.30 17: Henrich Heine 17 & 18.

Radio 3 6.55 Weather. 7.06 News.
7.05 Morning Concert: part one.
Rossin's overture if furco in talks: Dvorak's Plano Trio in B flat. Op 21 (Cohen Trio); and Geminian's Grosso No 1 in D (I Musici). 8.00 News.†

Musici), 8.00 News.†
Morning Concert: part two.
Johann Stamitz's Clarinet
Concerto in B flat (Academy of
Ancient Music); Byrd's Sellinger
Round (Hogwood, virginal); and
Mendelssohn's Symph No 1
(London Phil). 9.00 News.†
This Week's Composer 9.05 This Week's Composer: Tchalkovsky. The Philharmonic Orch play Act 2 music from The Nutcracker; and we hear the

songs We sat together, Op 73 No 1; And The Sun has set, Op 73 No 1; And The Sun has set, Op 73 No 4 (Soderstrom/Ashkenszy),† 10.00 Weber and Wagner: Vienna Pha play Weber's overture The Rules of the Spirits; and Berlin Phi play Wagner's Symphony in C.! 10.45 Beethoven and Wienlawski: 10.45 Beamover and wieniawski:
Beethoven's Sonata in G major,
Op 30 No 3, and Wieniawski's
Souvenir de Moscou, Op 6; and
Scherzo Tarantella, Op 16
(Tsukahara, violin, and Van Den
Eynden, plano).†
11.25 Chamber Orchestras of Europe:
Nuclei play Corplit's Concento

Musici play Corelli a Concari Grosso in B flet, Op 6 No 5; Capuzzi's Concerto in D for double-bess and orchestra; double-bass and orchestra: Vivaldi's Violin Concerto, Op 11 No 2; Rossini's Sonata No 1 in G

for Strings; Pergolesi's Concerto
in 8 ffat for violin and strings; and
Mozart's Serenade in D, K 239.
1,00 News.t
Bristol Lunchtime Concert: Delme
String Ounted alors Mozart's String Quartet play Mozart's Cuartet in A, Op 55 No 1; Haydn's On 55 No 1, and Wolf's Italian Op 55 No 1, and Wolf's Italian Serenade.† Bach and Schutz: a concert given

by the London Bach Society, Steinitz Bach players, Shelagh Molyneux (sop), Christopher Robson (counter-tenor), Richard Morton (ten), John Noble (bar). Simon Standaga (violin) and Tess Hiller (robe) t iller (oboe).† 3.20 Youth Orchestras of the World: Ostrobothnian Chamber Orch, Finland, play Handel's Concerto Grosso, Op 8 No 8; Biber's

sutsou, op a No 8; Biber's Battella; Bach's Victin Conc BWV 1042, Sibellus's Impromptu, Sulkan Tsintsadze's Georgian Folk Tunes; and Pelir Henrik Montrers's Bottom of Child Nordgren's Portraits of Country Fiddlers, 4.55 News.1 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: Jeromy Siepmann's selection includes Shostakovich's Plano Concerto No 2t

6.30 Bandstand: Arthur Wills's symphonic suite The Fenlands Is played by the combined Cabridge Co-operative and Gus Bands.1
7,00 Lleder from Salzburg: Austrian
Radio recording of a recital by
Lucide Popp, with Irwin Gage as
her accompenist. Songs by
Schoenberg (Four Songs, Op 2)
and Streuss (including Ophelia
Lieder, Op 67).1
7.45 Thyestes: Another chance to
hear Martin Jenkins's production
of Sanaca's play in Jane Elder's operative and Gus Bands.t

of Seneca's play, in Jane Elder's translation, and with music by Christos Pittas. The singer is Martyn Hill. With Den's Outley in the title role, Richard Pasco as his brother Atreus (who is plotting a horrible act of revenge against Thyestes) and Anton Lessar as The Messenger t

9.25 Scarlatti and Brahms: a recital by Tessa Uys (piano). The works are Brahms's Variations on a theme of Schumann, Op 9; and Scarlatti's Sonatas in C (Kic420), in F minor (Kic486), in D (Kic118), in G (Kic201), in D minor (Kic32).

10.15 Music in Our Time: Offiver Knussen has devised two retrospectives featuring the works by Toru Tekemitsu. This is the first.)

Radio 2 News on the hour. Major Bulletins: 7.00, 8.00am, 1.00pm, 5.00 and 12.00 midnight; headlines 5.30, 6.40, 7.30, 8.30 am (MF/MW). 4.00am Colin Berry.† 5.30 Ray Moore.† 7.30 Terry Wogarfind. 8.31 Racing Bulletin. 10.00 Jimmy Youngt. 12.00 Stove Jonestincl. 1.05 Sport. 2.00 Gloria Humifordfind. 2.00; 3.02 Sport. 3.30 Music all the Wayt. 4.00 David Hamiltonfind. 4.00; 5.05 Sport. 6.00 John Dumflind. 6.02 Sport. 6.45 Sport and Classified Results (mf only). 8.00 Wally Whyten with Country Greats in Concert and Country Clubrig. 55 Sports Desk. 10.00 Bernie Clilion's Comedy Shop with Pat Mooney, Tony Peers and Caroline Turner. 10.30 Star Sound Extra. Tom Hutchrson reviews Scarlace, Star 80 and Gene Hackman's new film Under Fire. 11.00 Biran Matthew presents Round Midnight (stereo from midnight). 1.00em David Bellentipresents Nightride. 3.00-4.00 Marching and Waltzingt

Radio 1

News on the half-hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm and then 12.00 midnight (MF/MW). 6.00am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Mike Smith, Incl. 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powell, Incl. 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 David Jensen. 5.30 Newsbeat 7.00 David Jensen. 10.50-12.60 John Peelt, VHF RADIOS 1 and 2: 4.00em With Radio 2, 10.00pm With Radio 1, 12.00-4.00 With Radio 2,

WORLD SERVICE

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Twenty-Four Hours, 7.30 Country Style, 7.45
Nesverk, UK, 8.00 World News, 8.09
Reflections, 8.15 The Painter of Signa, 8.30
John Peet, 9.00 World News, 8.09 Review of
the British Press, 8.15 The World Today, 8.00
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Egar. The Making of a Composer, 10.15
Monitor, 10.30 Yee Minaster, 11.00 World
Revel, 11.00 Regio Newsrabl, 11.15 New
Ideas, 12.00 Regio Newsrabl, 12.15 Top
Twenty, 12.45 Sports Roundup, 1.00 World
News, 1.00 Twenty-Four Hours, 1.30 Network
UK, 1.45 The Pleasure's Yours, 2.30 Discovery,
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TSW As London except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.30 Family Trees. 3.00-3.30 University Challenge. 5.15 Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroods. 6.00 Today South West. 8.30 Gardens For All. 7.00-8.00 Miss TSW 1984. 10,35 HIII Street Blues. 11.39 Post Natal Depression, Who Cares ? 12.00 Postscript, Closedown.

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# Tripartite talks today bring hope to Namibia

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

today in Lusaka, the Zambian Capital, with the United States and Angola, aimed at securing a permanaent ceasefire in the border area between Angola and Namibia (South West Africa). It is also expected that the negotiations will cover "wider problems of the region".

In a statement in Cape Town, Mr R. F. Botha, the Foreign Minister, said he would be leading the South African delegation at the talks, which would focus in the first instance "on the cessation of hostilities in the border areas of SWA Namibia) and Angola and on steps that may be needed to ensure a restraint of hostilities".

The seriousness with which the South Africans are taking the talks is reflected in the composition of their delegation, which includes General Magnus Malan, the Minister of Defence and Dr Brand Fourie, the Ambassador to the United States, as well as the directorsgeneral of foreign affairs and national intelligence and other officials.

The American negotiating team, which is already in Lusaka, will be led by Dr Chester Crocker. Assistant Secretary of State for African affairs. The composition of the Angolan delegation could not be immediately established.

The announcement of the meeting comes just over two weeks after Mr P. W. Botha, the South African Prime Minister, told Parliament that Pretoria had begun disengaging its troops from southern Angola for a 30-day trial period, on the understanding that the Angolans and Swapo (South West Africa People's Organization) guerrillas would not take military advantage of the situation.

Swapo has been fighting for the past 17 years for the independence of Namibia, a former German colony still

South Africa is to hold talks occupied by South Africa in day in Lusaka, the Zambian defiance of United Nations

resolutions South Africa has had bases in southern Angola since the mid-1970s, when Portuguese colo-

nial rule in Angola ended. In his speech to Parliament Mr Botha spoke of the possi-bility of talks with the United States and Angola to negotiate "practical arrangements" aimed at creating "a climate of increased security" in the Namibia-Angola border area. The talks have come rather

quicker, however, than most observers expected. The immediate task of the Lusaka meeting, according to South African sources, will be to set up a joint mechanism for monitoring a ceasefire and investigating any breaches of it. Mr R. F. Botha's reference to

"wider problems of the region" is taken to be an allusion to such hitherto intractable issues as the presence of an estimated 25,000 to 30,000 Cuban troops in Angola South Africa says they must be withdrawn before Namibia

can be granted independence under the terms of United Nations Security Council Resolution 435. The United States is playing a

key intermediary role in the delicate negotiations over Namibia and is thought to be offering Angola diplomatic recognition and economic (and possibly military) aid in return for some compromise on the

There is also the problem of the South African-backed Unita rebels of Dr Jonas Savimbi, who control much of southeastern Angola. A reconciliation between Dr Savimbi and the Lauanda government - possibly again under American sponsor-ship - is generally agreed to be essential if there is to be a settlement in Namibia.

Villagers evicted, page 6

# **Trudeau in Moscow**

Continued from page 1 months, and that it would be "at best a long slow task".

Mr Bush was more optimistalk of summit meetings. Mr Trudeau said yesterday he

thought Mr Chernenko was a "solid realist" with a fair grasp of affairs. He declined to say to what extent Mr Andrei Gromyko. the Foreign Minister, had guided the conversation.

Mr Trudeau said Mr Chernenko was clearly bent on continuing the policy of détente identified with Mr Brezhnev. The Canadian Premier said be tic, but he agreed with Mrs impressed on the new leader Thatcher that it was too early to that a "political window of that a "political window of opportunity" was open between now and June, when the economic summit

> Mr Trudeau added that the impending American presiden-tial election would also give impetus to East-West dialogue

> > W1, 2.15. The Duke of Gloucester, Patron,

King Richard III, at Wax Chandlers' Hall, London, EC2.7.

The Duchess of Kent, as Patron,

#### Gemayel's army melting away

Gemayel Government's disintegration was the scene outside the deserted Khalde Beach Hotel, where only nine months ago. Israeli and Lebanese diplomats solemnly signed the unofficial peace treaty between their countries.

Yesterday mutinous Lebanese troops lounged round the building, while on the steps. I discovered two Druze guomen idly watching a single Lebanese Air Force Hawker Hunter jet circle impotently overhead. The Lebanese Army had by

early afternoon abandoned its posts in the ruined village of Damour, 10 miles south of the capital. The Phalangist barracks at Mishrif - from which the Phalange set off to massacre the Palestinian civilians of Sabra and Chatila 17 months ago was reported to be in danger of falling into Druze hands. All day Beirut state radio had

been announcing that President Gemayel was about to make an important announcement after his hurried and unmprecedented meeting with Mr Fran-iieh in the Syrian-controlled town of Batroun late on Tuesday. But by nightfall the President had not spoken and Mr Walid Jumblatt, the Druze leader, was saying that even the abroagation of the May 17 agreement with Israel catalyst of Lebanese and Syrian political opposition to the Gemayel regime – would not now suffice to save the Presi-Mr Gemayel must resign. Mr

lumblatt announced in Damascus. "Gemayel may be trying to save his neck. There will be no mercy for him. He must be tried he and the other officers. especially Tannous (the Lebanese Army commander) for all the crimes they have commit-Among the acts Mr Jumblatt referred to as a crime was the decision to call for American naval bombardment of the Druze-controlled Chouf The question being asked by

all sides in Beirut is whether the Phalangists would accept any concessions to the Muslims by Mr Gemayel The President's Tuesday meeting with Mr Franjieh is believed to have een arranged by the Phalangist military commander in the neighbouring Christian town of Byblos. But early yesterday the Phalangist militiaman was assassinated, possibly by coleagues anxious to make an example of anyone who might indirectly threaten Mr Gemayel's power base.

Mubarak meets King, page 5



# Neither a sheep, nor a goat

By Thomson Prentice

A remarkable picture pubfished in a scientific journal yesterday and reprinted above shows an animal that is neither a sheep nor a goat, but is both.

This one-year-old sheep-goat chim era is one of a group that has been bred experimentally by genetic manipulation at an mal research station near Cambridge. The animal is a bybrid of a

male sheep and a male goat. According to researchers, writing in the new issue of Nature, it behaves like a male goat, has goat-like twisted like sheep horns; long, wavy goat wool and its blood contains sheep and goat red cells. But it has proved infertile in natural matings with female goats. Although the semen is of normal density, the spermatozoa have a characteristic tail defect of infertile mammals. Three series of experiments

with hybrid sheep-goats were carried out by scientists at the Agricultural Research Coun-

cil's Institute of Animal Physiology, near Cambridge. one experiment. animals were born with the

general appearance of lambs after their mothers had been implanted with hybrid em-bryos, but three of them had fleeces characteristic of goats. In another experiment, two new-born animals resembled ordinary kids, except that one had wool considered to be of sheep origin. In a third experiment, six out

of nine animals were born resembling ordinary lambs, two had characteristics of both kids and lambs, and one looked like on ordinary kid. This is not a trick of artificial insemination. The

sbeepgoat chimera, as the scientists who created it call the hybrid, began as a normally conceived lamb by one set of parents and a normally con-ceived kid by the other pair. But each of these fertilized

eggs was allowed to divide only until they consisted of a

microscopic sheep embryo of microscopic sneep embryo of eight cells and a goat embryo of eight cells. At that stage the cells of the two species were combined by embryo manipu-lation, and the resulting hybrid implanted into a third parent chars who hosted the alian sheep who bosted the alien animal to birth. Experiments have shown

that these hybrids can be reared in either a parent ewe or nanny. It is suggested that one use for the technique would be in rescuing endangered species by creating conditions in which the embryo of a species at risk could be reared safely in Hybrid animals have been

produced in experiments be-fore, involving mice in one case and frogs in another. However, the breeding of sheep-goats as a hybrid species is seen by scientists as offering new approaches to the study of reproductive incompatibilities between species, and may lead to such incompatibilities being

#### Letter from Athens

# Mean machines on the roads to Hell

on Athenian pavements are no ordinary pedestrians. They are acrobats, pirouetting between the handlebars of a parked motorcycle and the sidemirror of a car straddling the pavement; or ducking the lower branches of the saplings planted at two-yard intervals. while they squeeze between two signposts; or weaving past the parking meters to dodge the little mountains of black plastic bass waiting for the garbage man.

It is clear that in the long and relentless battle here between man and machine, the machine has won. Over years, pavements were drasticily narrowed to make more room for the growing car population, which today ex-ceeds 600,000 in this city of three million people. But it was not enough. The in-satiable machine is climbing on the pavements and encroaching on the remaining vestiges of the pedestrian's birthright. The average Athenian pave-

ment is no wider than six feet, usually less. In this narrow confine, the pedestrian is forced to coexist with all other occupants, particulary motorcycles, a legacy of the great oil There are thousands and

thousands parked on the pavement haphazardly, some are secured to street signs by heavy chains, others are arrogantly, positioned across the pavement, forcing ped-estrians to risk there lives by stepping into the chaotic The road to Hell is usually

strewn with good intentions. The capital's enterprising mayor, Mr Dimitri Beis, was certainly well-intentioned when he ordered the planting of thousands of young trees on the edge of the pavements to add a touch of green to this grey jungle of concrete and asphalt.
The saplings, however, alternate with parking meters, which earn the money to pay

for the plants and other things. municipal, such as the orange rubbish bins attached to the signposts, which invariably stand in the centre of the pathway. The result is an artifical delights only the city's canine

population.
Fines for parking on the pavement were doubled recently, but to no avail. The most picturesque occu-

pants of the pavements are

scattered in the centre of town a feature unique to Athens These cubicles, usually awarded to war invalids, are bulging with displays of newspapers and magazines They stock anything from

sometimes taken by chairs and many parts of town the pedestrian pathway. squeezed between two rows of case tables, for which a high rent is paid to the mayor.

modern equivalent of the Agora, the ancient market place where people met to exchange ideas and gossip. Until a few years ago pavements were all made of

marble - the same kind once

used to build the Parthenon But Athens is one of the dustiest cities in Europe and the slightest rain turns the marble into a slimy death-trap. Cement blocks, which are just as slippery and certainly not as attractive, In a last-ditch attempt to decided a few years ago to and allow people to stroll and shop in comfort. The most centre of town was a 300-yard stretch of Voukourestion Street, near Constitution

benches in small oases of greenery, or move about at will. The only danger, as you passed small groups of debating Athenians, was that an arm arching out to illustrate an argument, might suddenly strike you.

experiment was short-lived. Today, more and more motorcycles criss-cross the area. large limousines are nonchalantly deposited in the middle of the road, and even police vehicles have been seen using it as a short cut. There are no protests, no

is the defeat of the Athenian

#### TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

#### Princess Alexandra attends the

Concert by Helsinki Philhar monic Orchestra, St. David's Hall

Cello recital by Clare Deniz, St David's Hall, Cardiff, 1.10, Concert by Delme String Quartet, St. George's, Brandon Hill, Bris-

Recital by Emma Kirby (soprano), and Anthony Rooley (lute), Kettles Yard, Northampton Street,

Talks, lectures The art of Kuba, by John Mack, Whitworth Art Gallery, Whitworth Park, Manchester, 7.15.

Music

Samuel Johnson 1709-1784, by Tony Nuttall, University of Sussex Molecular Sciences Lecture Theatre,

**Exhibitions** in progress

A retrospective exhibition by John Kimpton, Teens To Twenties Including Kelloggs: Ginnel Gallery, Lloyds House, 16 Lloyd Street, Manchester: Mon to Fri 9 to 5.30, Thurs 9 to 8, closed Sat & Sun (ends March 9).

Images: new paintings and drawings by David Napp, Philip Brown, Shaun Carey and Susan Palin; Royal Museum and Art Gallery, High Street, Canterbury, Kent; Mon to Sat 10 to 5; closed Sun (ends Feb 24).

#### Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Matrimonial and Family Proceedings Bill, second committee, third day.

#### A diamond jubilee

The Queen today attends the diamond jubilee thanksgiving service of Lepra, the British Leprosy Relief Association, at All Hallows by-the-Tower (11am). All Hallows has been chosed for the service as a tribute to the Rev Tubby Clayton, founder of Toc H, who did much to further the work of the Association under its then title British Empire Leprosy Relief Association. The service will also be attended by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, who is to give the address; the Bishop of London, Dr Graham Leonard; the Lord Mayor of London, Dame Mary Donaldson and Lepra's President, Mr Chris Bonington.

#### Anniversaries

Births: Heinrich Barth, explorer. Hamburg, 1821; Sir Francis Galton explorer and anthropologist, Bir-mingham, 1822; Ernest Haeckel, 200logist, Potsdam, 1834; George Macauly Trevelyan, historian (English Social History), Welcombe Warwickshire, 1876; Robert Flaher Warwickshire, 1876; Robert Figher-ty, pioneer of film documentary, (Nanook of the North), Iron Mountain, Michigan, 1884. Deaths: Lionel Lukin, inventor of lifebouts. Hythe, Kent. 1834; Giosue Carducci, poct, Nobel laureate 1906, Bologua, 1907.

Mountbatten Festival of Music by the Massed Bands of Her Majesty's A Dry White Season (novel), by Andre Brink (Flamingo, £2.50)
Collected Shorter Plays of Semuel Beckett (Faber, £3.50)
Hong Kong 1997, by David Bonavia (Columbus, £4.95)
Modern Greece, a short history, by C. M. Woodhouse (Faber, £3.50)
Orwell, By Raymond Williams (Flamingo, £1.95)
Separate Tracks) (novel), by Jane Rogers (Flamingo, £1.95)
Shakespeare's Impact on his Contemporaries, by E. A. J. Honigman

She Came to Stay, by Sknone de Beauvoir (Flamingo, £2.95) Subtle is the Lord, the science and life of Albert Einste (Oxford, £5.95)

iam Golding, a critical study, by Mark Kinkead-Weekes & Ian Gregor (Faber, Roads

#### TV top ten

Coronation Street (Wed), Grane, 16.55m This is Your Life, Thames, 16.00m Coronation Street (Mon), Grane, 15.65m A Fine Romance, LWT, 14.70m Name That Ture, Thames, 14.55m In Loving Memory, Yorkshire, 14.45m Wish You Were Here, Thames, 14.05m Minder, Thames, 13.85m Châd's Play, LWT, 13.45m = 3-2-1, Yorkshire, 13.45m

BBC 1
That's Life, 11.80m
The Living Planet, 11.25m
The Les Dawson Show, 11.00m
Bergerac, 11.00m
Dalas, 10.65m
Top-of the Pops, 10.80m
News & Sport (Sat 21.30), 10.25m
Holdsey, 10.00m
9 O'Clock News (Thu), 9.50m
Wogan, 9.45m

BBC 2

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(4.8m).
TV-am: Good Morning Britain: Mon-Fri 1.0m
(4.7m). Set, 1.5m (and Sun 38m).
Broadcasters' Andience Research Board.

#### The papers

The Daily Mirror says that to win one medal in Sarajevo was all we could hope for. "But what a medal!", it comments. "In his day, John Curry was the world's best skater. When he turned 'pro' Robin Cousins was rightly applauded as the best. But neither they nor anyone clse gave such pleasure as Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean. They dance on the ice as one.

Wales and West: A30: Resurfacing Westbound carriageway of Cam-bourne by-pass. A30 Single lane traffic in Milperton Road, Trowbridge, Wilts, single lane; temporary signals. M4: Lane closures for bridge inspection and repairs between junction 21 and 22 across the Severn Bridge: both carriage ways affected. Midlands and East Anglia: A45:

Roadworks on Coventry - Daventry road at Fosse Crossing Warwick-shire. A14: Lane closures on Huntingdon by-pass. A45: Lane closures on Cambridge by-pass. A34: ContrallowinStone - Newcastle road at Strongford, Staffordshire. arsungious Stationarie, North: A683: Bridge demolition at Killington railway bridge; Killington, Cumbria: diversion. A6120: Single lane traffic on Leeds outer ring road at junction with Spen Lane, Leeds, delays. A6: Manual traffic signals at entrance to Lyme Park, Disley,

temporary lights south of Selkirk, Selkirkshire. A76: Single-line traffic with south of A719 junction ur Kilmarnock, Ayrshire. A929: New road construction nr A928 junction four and a half miles north of Dundee. Information supplied b'y AA

Scotland: A7: Single-lane traffic with

#### The pound

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### Weather torecast

A ridge of high pressure over England and Wales will decline southeastwards as a frontal trough approaches Scotland from the Atlantic.

#### 6am to midnight

London, SE, central S, SW England, Channel Islands, S Walest Fog patches, slow to clear, hazy sunshine; wind southerly light; max temp 6-8C (43-46F); cold where fog is slow to clear.

East Anglia, E, W Midlands, E, Central M, Englands Dry, fog patches, dense and persistent in places some hazy sunshine; wind S Eght; max temp 5-6C (41-43F); but cold where fog persists.

ward see moderate of tresh; max gamp 5-7C (41-45F).

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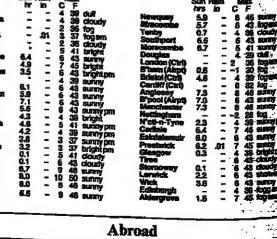
Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday;

## London

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High tides

**Around Britain** 



cigarettes to aspirins and stamps to sweets. They cover three-quarters of the pave ment, then expand sideways after obtaining a licence to sell ice-cream or installing a pay. On the larger avenues of course, the pavements are wider, but the extra space is tables of outdoor cases where the Athenian likes to sit and inhale pollution at source. In

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# Today's events

Royal engagements Leprosy Relief Association, 10.55. Cornwall, attends the launch of the

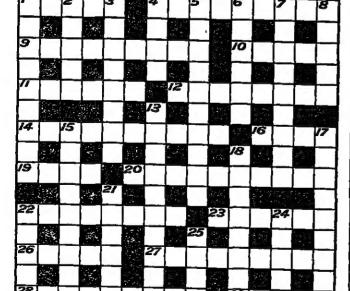
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The Queen attends a Service of Thanksgiving at All Hallows-by-the Tower. Byward Street. EC3, to mark the Diamond Jubilee of the British

Royal Society of Aris, 8 John Adam Street, WC2, 12, 30. Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother visits the Hepburn Starey

original Charter and Grant of Arms to mark the Quincentenary of their presentation to the Worshipful Company of Wax Chandlers by

#### visits Helen House, Oxford, 11,50. Prince Michael of Kent, as President of the British Bobsleigh Association, visits the Winter Olympic Games at Sarajevo, depart Blind Aid Society at St. Columba's The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,356



ACROSS 1 Refuse substitute for rally (5). 4 Ancient Egyptian ring - handle

with extreme care (9).

- 9 Appear keen to get a move on 10 Problem set by working model 11 Plead with National Trust -15 How Ulster is represented in the time presses! (6).
- 12 Strictly cut off, see, among the fens (8). 14 Creator of original suit (5.5). 16 To a doctor this is grave (4). 19 Her slippers may be in the garden (4).

20 How unqualified the Romanoffs

were to rule! Quite so (10).
22 Court fate by joining BR? (8). 23 Radio One included alternative choice (6). 26 Excessive international debt (5). 27 Rotten EEC arrangement for

> Sleeping partner - one of those estranged by adversity (9).

joint production (9).

#### 29 Reads badly, so is brought down to earth (5).

- Spectacular firm belonging to us is in full swing (9). 2 Get this advance organized by
- 3 Hose carried by trawlers (8). 4 Sort of cellar said to be used by Eastern seers for shady purposes
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5 Put the squeeze on one in Reno

battered into subjection (10).

7 Case in point? Quite the reverse

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17 Good show, young man! (9).

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18 Revolting character in Indian

21 Agree to a measure Eden failed

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Bonnets for gangsters in the US

25 Directions externely limiting to

old London surveyor (4).

Bird gets very large quarry (6).

Instruction to roadmaker in

### New books-paperback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week: .

National top ten television programmes in the week ending February 5:

Also Smith & Johes, 5.05m Great St Trintan's Train Robbery, 4.80m Air Smith's World of Flowers, 4.70m Your Life in Their Hands, 4.50m M.A.S.H., 3.90m Call My Buff, 3.70m Pot Black 84, 3.70m Leo, 3.65m

Channel 4

1 Brookside (Wed), 3.10m

2 Man Friday, 3.00m

3 Treasure Hant, 2.95m

5 Brookside (Tue), 2.60

5 St. Barwhere, 2.55m

7 Birth, 2.35m

Heart of The Dragon, 2.00m

3.10 to Yuma, 1.95m

Night in Tunisle, 1.95m

1 Weish:
1 Dechrac Canu/Canmol, SBC, 61,000
2 Pobol Y Cwm, BBC, 55,000
3 Smyrits, Ind, 53,000
4 Rhagin Hyel Gwyndyno, BBC, 47,000
5 Sherne Dda, BBC, 47,000

matching jewels in an Olympic crown."

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clear.

Lake District, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee: Mainly dry, fog patches soon clearing, sunny intervals; wind SW moderate; max temp 5-7c (41-45F).

Isle of Man, Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glasgow, central Hightands, Northern Ireland: Mainly dry, surny intervals; wind SW moderate or tresh; max temp 5-7c (41-45F).

SEA PASSAGES: North Sea: Wind mainly SE light; sea smooth. Straits of Dover: Wind malnly SE light; sea smooth. English Channel (E): Wind mainly S light increasing moderate later; sea smooth becoming slight later. St George's Channel: Wind S light increasing moderate or fresh; sea smooth becoming moderate. Irish Sea: Wind S light increasing moderate or fresh; sea smooth becoming moderate or fresh; sea smooth becoming moderate.

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